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AFFAIRS IN ENGLAND.

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From Our Own Correspondent.

LONDON, Saturday, Feb. 27, 1869.

The American Minister, in his grand and triumphant progress through Great Britain, has got as far as Manchester. Here, in the Lowell of England, he was received with the usual complimentary addresses, and partook of the customary banquet. His speeches improve, if anything, and those he made at Manchester were greeted with extraordinary enthusiasm. Mr. JOHNSON is certain that there can never, never be war between two people so friendly to each other as those of England and America. War is entirely too horrible a thing—especially with those captures and destructions of private property which Mr. VERNON HARCOURT wishes to continue — to ever arise between two people speaking the same language and professing the same religion—like Prussia and Austria, for example. And Mr. JOHNSON is still sanguine about his *Alabama* treaty, and told his hearers that he had telegraphed to America and found that the newspapers were quite mistaken about its rejection, and that no report had been made upon it to the Senate. On the subject of free trade, about which it is said there are now two opinions in Manchester as well as in all the British colonies, Mr. JOHNSON displayed a masterly neutrality. English free traders, he said, must not be impatient with their brethren in America, but give them time. It took the English a full hundred years to discuss and adopt free trade principles, which the colonies had all repudiated, and America, no doubt, would in turn adopt sound principles of trade and political economy, and when they do, said Mr. JOHNSON, then look out for yourselves. [Immense and enthusiastic cheering.]

PROTECTION.

The associated Chambers of Commerce have been discussing this sore subject of protection in Canada, Australia, New-Zealand and the United States. A very sore subject it is. How are these ungrateful colonists, educated in free trade, enjoying all its cheap and nasty advantages, until they wore nothing but shoddy, and were reduced to the verge of free competition starvation, and at last driven from the country, now turning round and taxing British manufactures, merely to encourage their own, while they still expect the Home Government in any emergency to defend and take care of them. The conduct of America is not so absurdly unnatural; but America, as well as the colonies, is standing in her own light, and don't know what is good for her. The thing that would make her rich and prosperous is to repeal all tariffs, and open her ports freely for the manufactures of England, France, Belgium and Germany. It seems plainer to those gentlemen than the multiplication table. Why give three prices for an article you can get for one? But the difficulty is to get the Americans, stupidly blind to their own and everybody's interest, to see it. It was proposed to memorialize Congress on the subject, and the American Chambers of Commerce; but it must be done, one gentleman said, with great delicacy; for the Americans were the most sensitive people in the world at the idea of foreign interference, and might suddenly double all their duties, or prohibit imports altogether, and henceforth deal only in exports. So a prudent and judicious committee was appointed to convert the Americans to free trade principles. They will begin with H. GREELEY, then take the Pennsylvania iron men, and report progress from time to time according to the success of their endeavors. One of the functions of British Chambers of Commerce, Board of Trade, JOHN BRIGHT President, and British Government generally, is to open up the markets of the world; and they would like to begin on America. They opposed slavery as a sort of protection, and they hope to put an end to all sorts, and introduce the reign of freedom, especially in traffic in dry goods, hardware and groceries—free wardrobes and free breakfast-tables.

Mr. BRIGHT, in a speech to a delegation from Chambers of Commerce, has taken the opportunity to join ELIHU BURRITT and REVERDY JOHNSON in favor of Ocean Penny Postage. Mr. BURRITT has no doubt at all that such a measure as universal penny postage would usher in the millenium without the by that means superfluous process of tying up Satan like the DAVENPORT Brothers. Mr. JOHNSON advocates it in the single interest of peace between England and America, as it is well known that people never fight where there is a cheap postage, while Mr. BRIGHT declares himself quite disinterested in his advocacy, as few men have suffered as much from the penny post as he has. And it is a nuisance, when every increase of notoriety brings you an additional burthen of impertinent letters from unknown people, and when any considerable worldly success may bring you from half a bushel to three pecks of begging letters every morning.

DRUNKENNESS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM.

The pressure upon Parliament for some remedy for drunkenness in England calls out various comments in the newspapers. The *Jewish Chronicle* cannot see why Christians should take the opportunity to get drunk at Christmas. It tells us, also, why Christians drink so much more than Jews. It is their only amusement. Sunday is made dull and dismal. The only places they can go to are stuffy, tiresome churches, and drinking houses. Museums, concert rooms, theatres, all places of innocent recreation are closed, they cannot work, there is no chance to play, sermons are tiresome, and the only thing they can do to vary the monotony of life, and get a few hours excitement, is to get drunk.

"Give the masses music, pictures, pleasant things to see and talk about," says the *Chronicle*, "and their eyes and ears will become intoxicated instead of their brains. The Jew does not get drunk. He is as sober on his holidays as at any other season. The Jewish child, from his youth, must in consequence of the dietary laws of his race learn to restrain himself. There are plenty of good things around him; he sees them, he handles them, he smells them, but he is taught not to taste them. He consequently acquires an extraordinary habit of self-control, which later in life is extended from eatable to drinkable things. We hold to Sunday recreation as being one of the prime means to the banishment of drunkenness, and we earnestly recommend the considerations we have advanced in that behalf to the candid attention of all Christian ministers."

Mr. GREGORY, M. P., has given notice of a bill to authorize the opening of the national museums and galleries after church hours on Sundays. The secular lectures and music on Sunday evenings have been declared legal, by the subterfuge of calling them services of Recreative Religionists, or Religious Recreationists. On the other hand the *Pall Mall* attacks the anti-beer-house movement on other grounds, and because "it means having one law for the rich and another for the poor; one law for the man who keeps a cellar at home and another law for the man who has only the publican's cellar to go to. It means further, a willful confusion between the use of a thing and its abuse, between the man who drinks and the man who gets drunk, between the exercise of a right and the indulgence in a noxious vice."

CONVOCATION.

Convocation is in session. This powerless little Ecclesiastical Parliament, with its upper and lower Houses, follows the forms of the National Parliament. It has adopted, or is trying to adopt, an address to the Queen, asking her to stand by the Church, and not to surrender either the privileges of the Church of Ireland or the principles of the Reformation. But the time for defending the Irish Church is past; that matter was settled months ago by the process of counting noses, varied with breaking heads and windows, spending no end of money, and drinking no bottom of beer. The *vox populi*, thick of utterance, it may be, brutal and beery, bought and paid for, has judged and determined upon the Irish Church question now, as it probably will upon the English Church at the next general election.

TAXATION STATISTICS.

Beside the Irish Church settlement, Parliament will be a good deal occupied on taxation. The land groans under heavy taxes. More than a hundred millions of dollars in gold are levied upon land in local taxes, from which other kinds of property are free. This drives capital from agriculture, causes millions of acres to lie waste, and a large part of the rest to be but poorly cultivated, so that England presents to the world the shocking spectacle of land starving for want of capital, and labor starving for want of employment. The tax on agriculture—pauperism alone in 1867 cost close upon £7,000,000 levied wholly upon real estate—drives capital into foreign loans, railways, &c., for investment. The average produce of wheat here is twenty four bushels per acre. It might easily be doubled; and so of other products. Sixty bushels an acre might be the rule instead of the rare exception over large districts.

And we talk about England and especially Ireland being over-populated. Ireland has 171 persons to the square mile. Such a density of population would no doubt give some American States thirty or forty millions of inhabitants, which they could easily support. But look at Belgium, a country less fertile on the whole than Ireland, yet prosperously sustaining nearly three times as dense a population—442 per square mile. But all Belgium is towns, manufactories, gardens, or farms in the highest cultivation the soil will admit of. There is scarcely a rod of waste land in the whole country. Even the most barren sand hills along the sea are turned to profit—converted into vast rabbit warrens, from which England, and I presume Ireland also, is supplied with millions of fat rabbits. From iron beams, plates, and machinery to eggs and oysters Belgium largely supplies the markets of England. An English cottager buys his eggs, if he has any, buys his bacon, his milk, and generally his very cabbages, on free trade principles.

The *Times* finds a startling fact in the returns of the Registrar-General of the bills of mortality—the death rate of various towns in the Kingdom. The average rate in London is about twenty-four in a thousand. This London, however, includes all the open and healthy suburbs, an area of some ten miles radius from Charing Cross. If some districts are taken, the figures are very different. They would be found to vary from twenty to forty in one thousand. Manchester is about thirty. This means that in Manchester 3,000 persons die every year of preventable diseases; die, whom proper sanitary measures would let live; die of the ignorant or criminal neglect of the local authorities or caretakers. And were Manchester as large as London, the excess of its mortality would be 100,000 persons a year. But there was no need to go to Manchester. In London the needless annual mortality—the victims of filth, of bad air, bad food, bad conditions, of poverty and misery, may be counted by thousands. In all England the lower classes do not live half as long as the upper classes. A certain number of Englishmen are born to length of days, riches and honors, and a certain number are just as surely born for obscurity, poverty and premature death.

The Marquis of Bute could not help having £300,000 a year, an education at Oxford, and the prospect of a long life. Two thousand pale and miserable little starvelings at the Seven Dials, half of whom will die in five years, and half of the rest in ten, were born and must live, and still more surely die "in that condition in life to which it had pleased Providence to call them,"—and the greed, ignorance and negligence of man to keep them. Still, though little has been done for two or three centuries, I believe the time is at hand when something will be done in real earnest to better the condition of great masses of the people. Hundreds of earnest minds are at work upon the how to do it; the very agitation of the subject is a process of education, and something will soon be done besides gathering ragged schools and giving poor children a weekly dinner and a trip into the country once a year.

MONADNOCK.

British Politics—The Defeat of the New Ministry—An Ode to America—President Grant—The Glory of the Abyssinian Expedition—Economy in the Administration—The Ballot—Honors to "Historicus."

From Our Own Correspondent.

LONDON, Saturday, March 6, 1869.

The defeat of the new Ministry on the first division in the House of Commons, is very vexatious. Mr. GLADSTONE was absent, and his partisans are annoyed. The bill is one to throw the expenses of elections upon the rate-payers, which would help to stop corruption, make elections economical, and allow a poor man the ghost of a chance of getting into Parliament. But the rich members and the landed gentry would not hear of it. Let those who dance pay the fiddler. One of the new members said that his election had cost him a large sum of money, but he did not grudge it for the honor and pleasure of serving his country in the House. And as long as the best men in the Kingdom are willing to pay $30,000 to $50,000 to serve their country gratis, the rate-payers will prefer to keep their own money in their pockets. So the radical Professor FAWCETT, who brought in the bill last session, though supported by the Government, lost his bill by three votes. But he will try it again next session, and is sanguine in the belief that it will ultimately pass.

But if it does, a still more revolutionary measure must follow—the payment of members. The voluntary system may be good in religion, but our foremost reformers think it bad in politics. Members who pay for being elected and get no pay for their services—who do everything to save the country at their own cost—are too independent to pay much attention to the wishes of their constituents. They know nothing of the doctrine of instructions. They go to Parliament to please themselves, or as often, their wives and daughters; to advance their own interests, perhaps, especially the railway men; in any case to do what they they think best for the general welfare. Caucuses, nominating conventions, and all the wonderful machinery of American politics, are all but unknown. Mr. BRIGHT, who writes to Chicago in favor of Americanizing British institutions, and repudiates any such idea at home, has done something to introduce caucuses and regular nominations in Birmingham and Manchester, but the country generally will be slow to adopt them. They will wait and see how they work. For the present they prefer the good old English fashions of chartered public houses, unlimited beer, and broken windows. It is good for the glaziers, and for trade generally. The men who own England, who pay the bulk of the taxes, who order industry, who have the responsibility of everything, think they have the right to govern, and they will not surrender the direction of affairs into the hands of the ignorant mob, the great unwashed, the hewers of wood and drawers of water, without a struggle. France, Spain, America, may establish universal suffrage. The negro who picks cotton may put his cotton, converted into paper, into the ballot-box, and so decide the destiny of the Republic; but it will be long before Englishmen of the educated and wealthy classes will be willing to give the same power to their "chawbacons" and "clodhoppers." Even these latter prefer to be governed by gentlemen.

AN ODE TO AMERICA.

Mr. F. T. PALGRAVE, a sufficiently self-sufficient literary gentleman, has written an "Ode to the United States of America," which falls fairly under the description of "more truth than poetry." It is entitled "The Noble Revenge." You are hereby implored to forgive and forget. You are respectfully requested to heap coals of fire on the heads of repentant Britishers, which, it is hoped, will be as innocuous as the live coals Mr. HOME placed in the hands of Lord ADAIR and on the head of Mr. S. C. HALL, which never singed a hair. But you shall judge for yourself of the quality of Mr. PALGRAVE'S poetry, and take the noble revenge to which he invites, if you be so minded. First he gives a brief history of the civil war:

As when one fair land
Saw, North and South, her bright-arm'd myriads stand,
Saw herself rent in twain by matricidal hand:
Though both were gallant, though
High deeds on either side were wrought,
Yet one for self, and one for mankind fought,
And when war's lurid cloud
From the blue skies had pass'd,
The golden eye of life
From heaven shone bold and free
On white-robed Victory,
And the Right won at last.

Then a brief, but humble confession of the view of the struggle taken by England:

—But she, the mother-land, that erst
Those swarms in her full hive had nursed,
Watch'd, sneering, the enormous fight,
Or wished the drama success, with blinded spite,
Or hail'd with jealous pettiness
Each bloody field that drank her rivals' strength
And left them less;
Till, in the cause that triumph'd,
She acquiesced at length.

This was, however, only the feeling of the educated classes.

So those who wrote, and those who spoke:
But underneath that servile yoke
The dumb, deep-beating, genuine heart
Of England would not crouch, but smiled apart,
Knowing the Right at last must be.

This is stuff, for four-fifths of the lower classes went as they always do, with "their betters." They were as hard against the North as ROEBUCK or PALMERSTON. Now for the noble revenge:

Our chance we had, and lost it!
But you have yet your chance!

O men who won!
O other larger England, saved, and free:
Forget the error past, past, past jealousy!
With your true blood our true blood beats across the sea!
Let what is done, be done;
The two great-hearts in one unite;
Revenge our blindness by your clearer sight.
Victors in freedom's fight,
Another conflict see,
An upward-flashing path
To win a new renown,
Crown'd with the greater crown
Of magnanimity!

To which I beg to add, Fiddle de dee! No doubt England is willing to be forgiven. No doubt she quite longs to see America noble and magnanimous, and invites that sort of revenge, and hopes America will take high heroic ground, let bygones be bygones, and live in peace and amity on Mr. REVERDY JOHNSON'S pattern forever more. And I think America will do all this, and would do it without being invited, poetically or otherwise, if England will do her own duty to her own people. It is in the power of every nation, as of every man, to make itself so respected, so admired, so loved, that all the world will wish to live in friendship with her, and every other nation will wish to be her ally. Liberty and justice, the education and elevation of a whole people, are better than all the armaments of Europe. If England were to expend for the next ten years the cost of army and navy upon education and the improvement of the condition of the poor, she would need less to care for magnanimity and noble revenges.

PRESIDENT GRANT.

The inauguration of General GRANT as President of the United States is hailed as a sign of hope. The complete restoration of the Union, and the establishment of cotton culture on a larger scale than ever in the South, are very important to England. A large part of the present distress—the almost unexampled pressure of poverty in this country—comes from the short and uncertain supply of cotton. Capitalists are afraid to venture much in India or South Africa, because they cannot compete with a full production in America. But General GRANT—President GRANT—will restore peace, confidence, industry, immeasurable wealth and prosperity. Wheat, corn, gold, and cotton will pay off the national debt even sooner than he anticipates.

The *Daily News* is especially eloquent on the accession of the new President. It says:

"The new *régime* will be one of genial airs and rapid progress. President GRANT receives an unreconstructed Republic from his predecessor; he will leave a healed, restored and renovated nation to his successor. The importance of this change to all foreign nations, and especially to England, is incalculable."

It has great hopes of cotton; but it has also some apprehension respecting General GRANT'S foreign policy. The external relations of the late Government, it says, "were conducted with consideration and dignity;" but "there are, unfortunately, only too many politicians in the United States whose notion of being respected is that of all bumptious and unscrupulous people—of being hated or feared. According to them no man can serve the United States without doing some especial disservice to some other nation."

It hopes General GRANT will not be more influenced by such unpleasant people than Mr. JOHNSON has been, "but so far as the demands on Great Britain are concerned the new President is known to have repudiated the basis of settlement which his predecessor had negotiated, and he has seemed to sanction some of those sentimental additions to the pecuniary demand, which, if insisted on, *must render any settlement impossible;*" and so the *News* publishes Mr. PALGRAVE'S ode, "The Noble Revenge," already quoted.

The *Times* moralizes on the tendency of Americans to elect military chieftains to places of high command, instancing the cases of General WASHINGTON, General JACKSON, General HARRISON, General TAYLOR, and in a brief account of the career of General HARRISON, says: "An Indian chief named TECUMSEH had been killed by a ball from his pistol, but, being a man of moderate abilities, he retired to private life," &c,

THE ABYSSINIAN EXPEDITION.

The glory of the expedition to Abyssinia has cost more than was expected. At first it was to be done for two millions sterling. Then Mr. HUNT, after covering several slates with figures, said it could not be more than three and a half or four millions at the utmost. Now Mr. LOWE finds that he has the items of eight millions, and those yet to come in will make the round cost of rescuing a Consul and some missionaries, killing King THEODORE and bringing home his son, little, if at all, short of ten millions—$50,000,000 in gold! There is an expensive military promenade for you! The tax-payer groans as he reads his morning paper; but there is some comfort in the economies of the new Administration. Every clerk is to mend his pen, or rather have it mended by the proper official, until he has worn it to the stump. Also, there is to be a saving of a few millions on iron-clads in dock-yards. The spirit of economy has seized upon the whole naval, military and civil service. The soldiers are to be careful of pipe-clay. The sailors' grog is to be doubly watered. A clerk writes to a morning paper to complain that the time of the Government is wasted to a serious extent by impertinent callers and persevering loungers. There is to be a millenium of cheese-parings. I have not heard, however, of any proposition to dispense with the lordly sinecures which surround the throne with dignity and grace.

ECONOMY IN THE ADMINISTRATION.

But there is an economy greatly needed here, as pointed out in the *Pall Mall Gazette*, and which may also be required in America. The *Gazette* says:

"Nothing could well be more senseless or wasteful than the plan hitherto pursued. We subject candidates to a competitive ordeal of no ordinary severity, which, by reason simply of its competitive character, has a tendency to become severer year by year; we virtually thus require from them proofs of capacity and acquirements which qualify them for high functions and peculiarly intelligent service, and which might command liberal remuneration in the open professions; and then when we have obtained these superior young men we set them to work for years upon mere copying or calculating tasks which an ordinary national schoolboy could do just as well, and which could scarcely fail to exercise a stupefying and dwarfing influence upon any intellect devoted to it for six hours a day, and we pay them about the same scanty salary that we give our gardener and our butler—the same, too, that was assigned to them years ago, when the work was far laxer, the educational requirements far smaller, and the cost of living nearly one-third less. A sillier waste of intellectual power, or a sadder spectacle of intellectual degradation and consequent discontent, than is presented by a highly-educated and successful young candidate occupied in transcribing letters or calculating the duty on so many chests of tea at sixpence a pound, can scarcely be found on this earth. The great reform we need, as was long since pointed out, is a division of the civil servants into two ranks—the intellectual and the mechanical."

THE BALLOT.

Mr. BRUCE, Home Secretary, has come out for the ballot. He is one of the numerous converts in the higher ranks to the silent system. Though the mode of open voting he considered more manly, brave, English, in short, yet as great masses of the people preferred something unmanly, cowardly, un-English, he was for letting them have at least the option of secret voting. As other people got along with it without very serious demoralization, and the majority of the people demanded it, he went for it. So we are to have the ballot; nomination day is to be abolished; and when people can vote for what they like without anybody being the wiser, we shall see what they will vote for.

"HISTORICUS."

Mr. VERNON HARCOURT has made a brilliant *début* in Parliament, and received the appointment of Professor of International Law with a very handsome salary at Cambridge. He ranges himself with the Conservative Liberals and defends the time-honored institutions—such as compelling a whole Cabinet to resign their seats in Parliament on accepting office, that they may go through the costly and troublesome form of a reelection. This whimsical process, according to Mr. HARCOURT, is one of the pillars of that edifice of incomprehensible architecture, the British Constitution. MONADNOCK.

AFFAIRS IN FRANCE.

Prefect Haussmann's Troubles—The Recent Debate in the Legislature—Minister Rouher's Defence—Triumph of the Opposition—The Future.

From Our Own Correspondent.

PARIS, Friday, March 5, 1869.

Our magnificent Prefect has at last come to grief. The storm that was long gathering over his head broke the other day in the Chambers and nearly swallowed him up. The count has been made out and at this moment he stands convicted of having sinned in the following particulars:

1. He has created a debt of four hundred and sixty-five millions of francs for the embellishment of Paris, a large part of which was unnecessary.

2. He has worked in advance of his means, and issued illegal bonds to pay his bills.

3. He has borrowed a large amount of money from the Credit Foncier without authority of law, and from an institution withal which is permitted to lend to the State but not to the Departments or Communes.

4. He has issued bonds for a large amount to cover the expenses of a loan, instead of taking the expenses from the loan itself.

5. He has let out the contracts of some of the new Boulevards to personal friends at exhorbitant prices, instead of offering them publicly to the highest bidder.

To these sins of M. HAUSSMANN, the Opposition in the Chambers, (Messrs. THIERS, PICARD, GARNIER-PAGES, and others,) applied the term "illegal," coupled with a demand for the Prefect's head.

The Ministers at first attempted to stem the torrent and to cover the Prefect's bold financiering up. But as the facts crept out one by one and the honest men of the Government party began to desert to the Opposition, the Ministry got alarmed for their own safety and ingloriously abandoned the Prefect in his slough of bricks and mortar. They softened the term "illegal" into "irregular," and promised, like good children, not to do it any more.

Then there was a tableau. The abandonment was a new thing in the history of M. ROUHER'S Ministry, a triumph was a new thing for the Opposition, and the event bordered on the dramatic. The Prefect, proud and haughty, and a greater man than any of them, sat in the gallery hearing himself abused by his enemies and mildly praised by his friends, and had not the power to defend himself, for he is a Senator, and has no right to the floor of the House.

M. PICARD pointed to him as the man who had violated at pleasure, laws, usages and regulations, who had done what the most audacious despots dare not do—raise levies without the consent of the levied; as the man who had disregarded the censures of the Court of Accounts, and who had trampled under foot the orders of the Legislature of the State!

M. HAUSSMANN, denounced, abused, torn to pieces, replied like Cicero, when summoned to swear that he had not violated the law: "I swear that I have saved the country!" When the Opposition complained that the treasury was empty, the debt growing, living dear, taxes enormous. "Yes!" replied the superb Prefect, "But Paris is magnificent!" When the workmen complained of the dearness of rents and the high price of food. "Yes!" replied the Prefect, "but how well you look! you have good air to breathe, you are no longer dirty, nor ugly, nor ragged; you look fresh and handsome, you have a clean blouse and pantaloons, you are the astonishment of the world!" When M. THIERS commenced to pour hot shot into the Prefect's garden, the latter exclaimed disdainfully: "Little THIERS! What did he ever do for Paris? He built a costly fortification wall around the town which I have got to tear down, while I have built streets and houses that people can live in!"

One after the other the Ministers declare, "The city has acted illegally, the Credit Foncier has acted irregularly, money has been spent without warrant, but the city is magnificent, and we must pay the Prefect's bills!"

In fifteen years M. HAUSSMANN has spent about four hundred millions of dollars in gold for the decorations of Paris, and he has run ahead of his means, illegally or otherwise, nearly a hundred millions of dollars. "But Paris is handsome, Paris is grand, Paris is incomparable, and after us the deluge! So let's make a loan for the hundred millions lacking, and our children may pay it if they can!" That's the refrain of the people in power.

One thing that will mark the Emperor's reign is the renewed and modernized capital. His foreign policy has gained him nothing, he has done nothing for popular education, he has built no school-houses, he maintains taxes on newspapers, and a political censorship on literature, but he has made a mark on the streets and houses of Paris. It is not the most enviable of reputations to go down to posterity with, but it is all he has, and he clings to it.

So he said to M. HAUSSMANN: "Hurry up the works; I may not live long, and I want them finished. Get money legally if you can, but at any rate get money. When the good citizens see how magnificent the town is, they will pay for it; if they grumble, I will protect you." And so M. HAUSSMANN got money *somehow*—all the works are contracted for, the grand system is so far completed that they cannot be stopped, and they have got to be paid. The Emperor is satisfied, his mark is made and clinched, M. HAUSSMANN'S glory is fixed also in history, and the Opposition and the tax-payers may howl—the work is done, and M. HAUSSMANN will stay where he is.

MALAKOFF.

ITALY.

Florentine Trade and Finance—A Story of Repudiation—How Wars of Ambition are Carried on—Indemnity from England Due and Expected—A Chapter of Calamities.

From Our Own Correspondent.

FLORENCE, Tuesday, Feb. 23, 1869.

The Commendatore Peruzzi, of the ancient Florentine family of that name, has lately published a volume giving an account of the commercial and banking affairs of this city in the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries. The narrative is an interesting one, for it is a history of a period of remarkable prosperity, succeeded by a fall among the most sudden known in the experience of rich and powerful communities. It is one of the many examples left by time of the instability of fortune and the vicissitudes of public affairs. Public and private wealth, the fruit of economic wisdom, energy and thrift, is of slow growth; but it all may pass suddenly away by a disastrous stroke against which human foresight may be unequal to guard.

Whoever has some acquaintance with Florentine history very well knows that at the beginning of the fourteenth century the principal bankers of Europe had their residence in this city. Florence was the Amsterdam, the London and the Frankfort of that period. The BARDI, the PERUZZI and the ACCIAIOLI of those times were as well known in the financial world as are the ROTHSCHILDS, the BARINGS and the HOTINGEURS of our day. If States or corporations wished to borrow money, they came to Florence. The great banking-houses had their agents also in the principal capitals of Europe. It was then, as it is now—man in every age but repeats the same story.

But my object in referring to Signor PERUZZI'S book is to cite from it a story of repudiation, among the most extraordinary in the annals of civilized communities. England is the country which now expresses most anxiety lest great States like our own, with every possible element of wealth, should be put on the list of insolvent countries. Let her calm her solicitudes, for up to this time the United States has met all its just obligations, while, at least, two examples of financial bad faith are recorded in English history.

In 1327, after reigning twenty years, EDWARD II. was by act of Parliament declared to be no longer sovereign of the realm. The reasons alleged were his feebleness of mind, and the intrigues of his Queen, ISABELLA, of France. He was afterward assassinated. His son, the Prince of Wales, was called to succeed him, with the title of EDWARD III. Being but 15 years old, a Council of Regency was named by Parliament for three years. As soon as the young sovereign came into the full exercise of his powers, he began to exhibit those qualities which acquired for him the reputation of one of the greatest princes of his time. Ambitious and energetic, he lost no opportunity to engage in wars by which the power of his kingdom might be increased. The student of English history is familiar with the course of these struggles. But the most important of the warlike encounters of this period was the attempt to obtain for the crown of England the control of France.

The dynasty of ST. LOUIS becoming extinct in the male line, by the death of the three sons of PHILIP IV., called the beautiful, there remained only the daughter of PHILIP, ISABELLA, the wife of EDWARD II., of England, and the mother of EDWARD III. Regardless of the salic law which prohibited the sovereignty in France to heirs in the female line, the English monarch determined to bring, if possible, by conquest, the French realm under the English Crown. Long and obstinate wars succeeded, but without obtaining this result. It was to carrying on these ambitious contests that resort was had to the Florentine bankers, then, as has already been said, the great money-lenders of Europe. The revenue of the British Crown at that day was actually less than a million of our money. The income of the little Republic of Florence, with less than 200,000 inhabitants, was, according to contemporary documents, about three times that amount. So great was the commercial prosperity of the Republic, that wealth flowed into the public treasury and into private hands. Florence boasted among its other branches of business eighty bankers and two hundred dealers in wool, the principal commercial commodity of that time. Some of the monumental palaces, built with the money gained by traffic, still stand as proofs of the prosperity of those times.

The amount loaned to the Government of EDWARD III., by the bankers of Florence, turned into our money, was about twelve millions of dollars. Not a farthing of this has ever been paid. Finding himself bankrupt in his treasury-chest EDWARD III., by a formal decree, dated May 6, 1339, ordered the suspension of all payments to the creditors of the State; not excepting (in the language of the decree) "my dearly-beloved bankers BARDI and PERUZZI." The FRESCOBALDI, bankers of Florence, had kept up the father of EDWARD III., but this sovereign, coming to the throne, had chosen for his agents these new financial negotiators. The King tried to throw the blame of this gigantic defection upon the Archbishop of Canterbury, Lord JOHN STRAFFORD, then Primate of England and President of the Council of Finance. This prelate was charged with fraud, and two other Bishops, those of Chichester and Litchfield—one Chancellor and the other State Treasurer—were imprisoned in the Tower of London. Political affairs seem at that time to have been, in great part, in the hands of the priests, and, as usual, were turned as much as possible to account in the way of improving their own fortunes.

What makes this crime of a nation the greater is, that the money was borrowed for the most selfish of purposes—to carry on wars of ambition. The sequel of this story of repudiation is not less interesting. The effect upon the commercial and political destinies of Florence was sad in the extreme. Persons in every grade of life, and engaged in every branch of business, had money on deposit with the great bankers, in whose power it was to be the agents of their welfare or ruin. With the experience of our own time, we can easily imagine the consternation which seized upon the public when intelligence reached Florence of this act of national bad faith. The failure of the bankers brought ruin upon the whole community. There was universal panic and distress. The loss of so much capital, and the destruction of public confidence, caused a suspension of commercial transactions and a decay of hope in the community. The effect was even worse, for with the loss of prosperity ensued political dissensions. In fact, the temporary overthrow of the liberties of Florence by the accession of the Duke of Athens to absolute power, can be traced directly to this cause.

The Commendatore PERUZZI, whose book will soon be translated into English, has told his story with great precision, citing documents laid up in the public archives of Florence, that vast treasure-house of manuscript wealth. Indeed, here can be found a more or less perfect record of nearly every European public transaction of importance for five or ten centuries. The PERUZZI family does not now enjoy the wealth of the properous days of the remote past; but several of this name have held, and still hold, some of the most respectable places under the actual Government. The English nation holds out no hope of making an indemnity to the present representatives of the family. To pay the whole sum, with interest, would be impossible. The property of the whole British realm, multiplied five or ten-fold, would not represent an amount equal to the gross of the debt at the present time, with the interest compounded. But the English nation might save its honor by voting to the heirs the original sum, or even by recognizing its obligation by an act of pecuniary compensation to existing families. The palace in which the bank of the PERUZZI was established, is still shown, and the street of the BARDI is well known to all, who have visited Florence.

Another fact should be added to the record of loss and disaster visited upon Florence at this period of its history—one more proof that calamities seldom come singly. In 1347, only a few years after the great commercial loss, followed a frightful famine, and in 1348 succeeded the pestilence, so vividly described by BOCCACCIO, which carried off one hundred thousand, or more than one-half of the population of Florence. The dealings of Providence with nations, as with individuals, are mysterious; but this we know, that the chastisements of God are sure.

ANGELICO.

SPANISH AFFAIRS.

Legislative Proceedings—The Committee on the Constitution—Reforms in the Tariff—The Candidate for the Throne.

From Our Own Correspondent.

MADRID, Wednesday, March 3, 1869.

On Monday another meeting of the Deputies, composing the legislative majority, was held in the hall of the Senate. The proceedings lasted from 9 in the evening until 3 in the morning and were of great importance. The reunion which was presided over by Señor CANTERO, one of the Vice-Presidents of the Chamber, had for object, first to come to an understanding in regard to the appointment of a Committee of Internal Organization and of the Budget for the Assembly. Second, to agree on the nomination of another committee to be charged with the elaboration of the Constitution and to decide whether this Committee should be named directly by the Cortes. Third, to come to an understanding as to the manner in which the question of the form of Government should be put to the Cortes, and fourthly as to what was expedient to be done in regard to certain propositions deposited in the bureau of the Assembly, the principal of which was that fresh elections should take place wherever there was a vacancy, whether it was the result of a double election or from any other cause. There were also propositions relative to two other Committees, that of the *Reglement* of the Assembly and that of Accounts.

The meeting appointed a Committee of Selection, and the sitting was interrupted for about an hour and a half, when the Nominating Committee returned with four lists, which were approved of.

A long discussion then ensued on the subject of the Committee on the Constitution. MM. MORET Y PRENDERGAST, BECERRA and MARTOS demanded, in the name of the Democratic fraction of the majority, that the Committee should consist of fifteen or eighteen members, instead of nine. It was finally decided that the number should be fifteen; that they should be named directly by the Chamber and voted singly. Some of the Deputies present expressed an earnest desire that the Republican minority should be represented in the Committee by at least two or three members. This suggestion, it will be seen, was not acted upon. The length to which the discussions were carried, and the personalities which were indulged in, led to some expressions of impatience on the part of the new Deputies, who felt that their Parliamentary manœuvres were unworthy of the members of a Constituent Assembly, and of the great interests which they would have to deliberate upon.

Señor BECERRA followed and offered a resolution to the effect that the meeting regarded with satisfaction the acts of the Executive and the composition of the new Ministry. It was adopted unanimously.

On the President's reading the proposition of M. RIVERO, demanding that the form of Government should be the monarchy, M. MORET Y PRENDERGAST moved an amendment that, when the Committee on the Constitution was appointed, it should ask of the Assembly as the starting point of its labors that it should declare at once the form of Government. This would afford an opportunity for a full discussion of the question. This resolution was adopted and the meeting immediately after broke up.

THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONSTITUTION.

In the Cortes yesterday M. ADOLPHE DE LA ROSA demanded of the Government a list of the Deputies who received salaries from the budget either for active services or as retiring pensions. The Minister of Justice replied that he would furnish the list. A brief discussion then ensued as to the manner of proceeding for the nomination of the Committee on the Constitution. The following Deputies were finally appointed on it: Señors Salustiano de Olozaga, Aguirre, Mata Rios Rosas, Cristobal Valera, Montero Rios, Veja Armijo, Posada Herrera, Martos, Augusto Ulloa, Silvela Moret y Prendergast, Becerra, Godinez de Paz, Romero Giron.

General SERRANO, in order to put an end to this scene of altercation, addressed some observations to the meeting expressive of the necessity of conciliation. He said that the enemies of the revolution based all ther hopes upon the divisions of the majority. The party of the Restoration, the Absolutists and the Republicans, were working unceasingly to accomplish their objects. They had all powerful resources at their command. To demonstrate the dangers against which the friends of constitutional Government had still to struggle, he reminded them that the municipality of Cadiz had addressed to the Republican minority in the Chamber a telegram felicitating it upon the attitude it had assumed against the reconstruction of the Ministry. Their only safeguard—the only guarantee for the security of the country was, therefore, a complete spirit of accord among the members of the majority.

This list is identical with the one agreed upon at the majority reunion the night before. The lowest number of votes given—that for Señor GIRON—was 174. There is not a single Republican Deputy on the list.

Señor SABASTIANO DE OLOZAGA is expected back in Madrid immediately to assist in the labors of the Committee. He will have to resign his position as Ambassador, to qualify for that of Deputy. The Duc DE FERNAN NUNEZ is named as his probable successor. This nobleman is very wealthy, and will make a better show at the French Court than his predecessor, who, with a taste for extravagance, has no money to spend on appearances.

REPORTS OF THE DEPARTMENTS.

The reports prepared by the Ministers on the administrations of their respective departments have been sent in to the House, and will be printed and ready for circulation by the end of the week. That of the Finance Minister (M. FIGUEROLA) is especially interesting and furnishes full information concerning the operations he has been engaged in with foreign capitalists, as well as in regard to the measures which he proposes to submit to the Chamber. He hopes, with the assistance of the Legislature, to be able at once to put in execution the whole of the reforms which he has projected on the financial administration of the country, and which are in strict conformity with the aspirations derived from the revolution of September.

At the request of the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Grace and Justice is busily engaged with the consideration of the reforms which are called for in the law on mortgages, for M. FIGUEROLA is bent on conferring on the country the benefits resulting from trust institutions, Credits Fonciers and agricultural banks, which cannot be created so long as the old law on mortgages is retained, for it gives a fictitious security to the lender and protects all the shifts and contrivances of the borrower. This is why money cannot be obtained on the mortgage of real estate, even in Madrid, at a less rate than thirteen or fourteen per cent. The Minister of Finance also proposes to bring in a series of measures giving the fullest freedom to the banks and to commercial transactions generally; and this, with religious liberty, he thinks cannot fail to attract to Spain the foreign capital of which it stands so much in need. He feels satisfied that if the Chamber accepts his plans, in three years the commerce and industry of Spain will have attained a degree of prosperity sufficient to enable the Government to raise from taxation the amount necessary to cover all deficits and establish the equilibrium of the budget.

REFORMS IN THE TARIFF.

The Commission of Inquiry appointed by the Minister of Finance to examine the tariff and customs regulations, with a view to their revision, is proceeding actively with its labors. It comprises some of the most earnest partisans of free trade, and its conclusions are consequently of the most liberal character. At the last sitting, a great portion of which was consumed in the consideration of the plans of the Minister, it was resolved that the Custom-house tariff, a portion of which, under the existing law, attains a maximum of fifty per cent. *ad valorem*, (and, thanks to the zeal of the Custom-house employes, a maximum of from 120 to 130 per cent. on certain articles,) should be reduced to a maximum of twenty-five per cent. To alleviate as much as possible the disturbance which these changes must produce in the industry of the country, but more especially in the manufactures of Catalonia, it is further proposed to reduce this tariff every three years, until the complete abolition of customs duties is arrived at in all the seaports and on the frontiers. Certain members of the Commission (Catal

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

HOME PICTURES OF THE ENGLISH POETS.—New-York: D. APPLETON & CO.

We have here a series of biographical pictures, cabinet size, of the English poets from GEOFFREY CHAUCER to ROBERT BURNS, including both, and representing the chieftains of our literature in a very lively and attractive manner—the happy style of an accomplished woman, who carries the reader through her famous gallery of portraits, and is much too genial to trouble him with any superfluity of literary criticism. She begins with CHAUCER, "the noble rhetor poet of Britaine," who brings with him such a sense of morning freshness, whether of the free forestry or the daisied sward, or of the language itself with its charm of earliest words which he modulates with such a powerful ease into such excellent music; who with a robust common sense and a satiric force of humor unites a tenderness of heart beyond anything to be found in any other poetic biography of man or woman. He loved the daisy and sang it, long before BURNS, and he made a picture of a patient and a loving motherly woman, which draws tears from everybody—except the Sorosis. That stern sisterhood will never understand how a lady could be so cruelly worried without plucking up a spirit and expostulating—at the very least. Dan CHAUCER was a very perfect, gentle bard—not deriving his title *Dan* from *Dominus*, by any means, or, at least, necessarily. Since *Dan* is the good old Celtic for "poetry"—as *Dana* is for poet—a name which it will be observed was not formerly given to the warlike lords of men, but to Dan Virgil and Dan Phœbus, and which, furthermore, some of our own literary men have borne with an unconscious felicity without knowing how fancifully it became them. At the same time "*Dan*" does not actually mean "Lord" in almost all languages, and even in the Malay, as may be seen in Mr. BICKMORE'S late work on the Spice Islands, where the noble Yankee traveler was called *Dan* or *Tuen* by the little boys. But the other etymology certainly suits the poets best.

CHAUCER was a very perfect, gentle bard; and it seems rather odd that he should have cuffed that poor Franciscan friar in Fleet-street—acting something like WILLIAM PENN at a later day. No doubt the friar began it, for GEOFFREY was a heretic and laughed at priests, who probably got him into his next great row in that same Fleet-street, where he acted in such a *zubburdust* fashion that he was obliged to leave England for a time. He was a man of healthy cheer and round proportions. Of all poets in our language he most resembles WALTER SCOTT, both having the same love of horse and hound, as well as the same black-letter turn of thought and charm of lyric verse, and the same plenitude of healthy, good-humored feeling and chivalrous fancy. Like SCOTT, GEOFFREY sided with the "nobility and great oneyers," his wife being sister of PHILIPPA, wife of John of Gaunt. He was a Lancastrian, of course, and like DANTE, PETRARCH and other poets of the Middle Ages, he went on embassies and transacted State business. As regards his verse, which the people of the last two centuries thought rough and barbarous, it is really as musical as any other in our literature. It is only necessary to remember that the old ending vowels were formerly sounded in English poetry as they are at present in French, Italian and other languages. Read properly, CHAUCER'S lines are perfect. One of them is:

"Upon the smale, softe, swete grass."

This, read in our modern way, is very stubby poetry. Pronounced in the old English way, it is a very beautiful and happy verse. The harsh, rough tendency of the Northern throat demolished the harmony of our poetry. Our prosers, and then our poets, began to clip and dock, and throw away all those charming elements of musical sound, the vowels, that once rounded the closes of harmonious verse—as may be seen in many of the snatches of old songs in SHAKESPEARE, BURNS and others.

Following the portly and genial figure of CHAUCER, the poet of social realities, comes, at the distance of two turbulent centuries, the pallid and somewhat shadowy presence of EDMUND SPENSER, chanting in transcendent allegory and metaphorical romance. And yet he had his sad realities, too, whether in the crowded ante-rooms of busy-plotting patrons or in the solitude of his old castle in Desmond, soon to be burnt over his head by those who, like the manful Maories of our day, did not want to see their ancestral soil invaded by foreigners. His verse is another lair monument of language. Lord CHATHAM had a great liking for it—somewhat as NAPOLEON liked OSSIAN—and EDMUND BURKE also loved SPENSER, saying very often that the man who studied his poetry would be sure to have "a good hold of the English language." MILTON said that SPENSER was a better teacher than DUNS SCOTUS or AQUINIAS, and the Methodist JOHN WESLEY advised his disciples to study the Faery Queene along with the Hebrew Bible and the Greek Testament—a course of Divinity which very few of our Methodist pastors now-a-days care to follow, very probably.

After SPENSER comes SHAKESPEARE—a man with even less biography than either his great forerunner or his contemporary; the reason, of course, being that he was a player and playwright, of an order of men held in low estimation, ranking little above the motleys and minstrels of the Middle Ages; and also that he was a prudent, retiring man of indomitable pride, who worked mainly to get a gentlemanly independence, though not unconscious that he was also working out something that the world would not willingly let die. He had a wonderful play of brain, with a royal power over the English language, and at the same time a resolute and plodding industry to match them—without which, indeed, he never could have done so much or so well. Like SCOTT, he seems to have worn himself out prematurely; and, curiously enough, his bust at Stratford greatly resembles the head of Sir WALTER, as a distinguished English artist observed when he and SCOTT stood together before SHAKESPEARE'S monument in the church. People talk of SHAKESPEARE'S want of learning, as if he could not find in English books all the historical, philosophical and poetical science then known in the world. Indeed, it was fortunate for English literature that he was not a college-bred man, in which case he would probably have been a mannerist, like JONSON, working after old models, and scorning that home-born folk-lore and romance of the Celtic west which gave his "nimble and forgetive" genius all its natural force, coloring and variety. At the same time his Julius Cæsar and Antony and Cleopatra show that he understood the old classic realities, as well as the college critics themselves. His sonnets are things his admirers never wish to dwell on, though they contain some of the most melodious verses in the language—those "Delphic lines" for which he is so celebrated. It is very likely that several of them were written to express the sentiments of some of his young patrons. His plays, which, in our day, are more fitted for the closet than the stage, were nearly put out of sight for a century and a half; and it was not till 1741 that Lord BURLINGTON, POPE and a few others put up his monument in Westminster Abbey, at an expense of £300, mainly raised from a performance from each of the theatres, Drury Lane and Covent Garden.

After SHAKESPEARE comes the severe and stately muse of JOHN MILTON, who so remarkably combines the erudite manner of a classic scholar with the British inspirations of old legendary romance; the tone and sentiment of a Puritan with the love of cathedral chants and symphonies, and the dim, religious light of cloisters, and the austere philosophy of a republican with the reveries of ancient heroism—the charging of his British and Armoric knights and the imperial chivalry of CHARLEMAGNE. Perhaps his life was a mistake, after all. His genius was prelatic and kingly, and he might have been, like HOOKER, another noble son of Mother Church if her ladyship had only opened the door to him when he wanted to get in. But he would not sign the Thirty-nine Articles—those things which, in the year of grace 1762, over 200 clergymen of the Established Church asked the Parliament of England to do away with. MILTON turned away from the Church door, though longing for the organ, and became a Cromwellite, contending for the liberty of the Press, of divorce and other points of the radical charter, in strong but rather heavy prose, which his admirers would rather praise than steadily peruse. But his verse is the most vigorous and stately in the English language, long-breathed, firm-paced and sounding, like the march of his own angels to the music of the flutes and soft recorders, and only equaled by some of the beautiful winding passages of PERCY SHELLEY. His "Lycidas" is a charm of words—the happiest shape and harmony of the heroic verse, with all the embroidery of rhyme, and without that monotony which soon surfeits us in POPE. It is a thing to be read with a most perfect voice—no more. It is neither to be criticised, nor understood, but modulated. If you turn it into sense, you find it probably made up of a series of cold and classical conceits, without any natural touches or feelings of real sorrow for the death of a dear friend; while the intrusion of St. Peter, with his keys and his bitter homily, among the Arcadian fancies, is wonderfully disconcerting in such a melodious threnody. MILTON'S lofty nature had not much tenderness. "The first Mrs. MILTON," as BYRON expresses it, could tell us all about that. The poor woman turned his children against him, beyond a doubt. They came to dislike the task of reading for him in his blindness; and when one of them was told he was about marrying again, she said that was no news for her, but if she heard he was going to die, *that* would be something! This is, perhaps, one of the dreariest and most tragic passages in any biography—worse than anything in "Lear." MILTON, like most of those unhappy immortals, earned his celebrity hard enough.

Next comes DRYDEN—another master of that noble organ, the English language—with less stately precision, but with a more vernacular and easy command of the common speech. The French fashion which then prevailed in English literature, gave him a clear and powerful prose style, and spoiled his earlier poetry. That of his old age is the manliest and best—his "Alexander's Feast" being the first ode in our language, or in any language. POPE afterward tried to imitate this in his own "Ode on St. Cecilia's Day"—and fell far behind with his

"Descend, ye Nine, descend and sing;
Your breathing instruments inspire."

DRYDEN begins with—

"'Twas at the royal feast for Persia won,
By PHILIP'S warlike son!"

ringing like sound of a Macedonian trumpet through the royal gateways of Persepolis. POPE has a charm of his own—a short-lunged, sedate brilliancy of style which has had its day, and will never have any other.

Our authoress gives a very pleasant sketch of ADDISON—politest and happiest of humorists—and another of Dean SWIFT, the other great representative wit of that age. Her version of SWIFT is the popular, uncritical version of THACKERAY, MACAULAY and others who paint the picture in an exaggerated way, partly in prejudice and partly for the strong biographical effects which most writers wish to produce. No eccentric man goes through the world with impunity. The Dean's intellect was an extraordinary one. With the burlesque wit of ARISTOPHANES, he suggested the farce of the "Beggar's Opera"—the title of which so clearly shows his hand—and wrote some parts of it. He advised "little HARRIS," as he called him, to try his hand on a Sea-eclogue—a tarpaulin extravaganza with sailors' jargon. He was always giving ADDISON and the rest ideas for periodical essays—all satirizing society, its fallacies and follies. It was from one of his papers—a biography of an old Scottish Captain, which he wrote in Ireland, to benefit the veteran—that Sir WALTER SCOTT got his fine character of Sergeant Bothwell in *Old Mortality*. He was an etymologist and a lover of old books, and he very probably helped HARLEY to make the celebrated collection of rare volumes now at Oxford. It is certain that he got HARLEY, ST. JOHN and others to think of a Royal Academy of English literature, and he wrote a prospectus of it which they approved of. He would have had his Academy if the Guelphs had not come in. He was a great adept in folk-lore, and had a love for archaic phrases and old proverbs, of which he proposed to make a dictionary. In this connection there is a little curiosity of language, which may be mentioned for the amusement of the Noters and Querists. It is this, that the term "Gulliver" means "teller of lies," in the old British of Cornwall, which has long died out of use. It is very probable SWIFT had become familiar with that phrase in some of his pedestrian journeys among the peasantry, and left the joke at the head of his book for the critics to see, if they could. Every one will perceive that it is just what the Dean would be likely to do. His natural bent was to literature, its antiquities, amenities and curiosities, and one of his poems is an amusing translation from the Irish, giving an account of one of the formidable banquets—those "workshops of war" as XENOPHON calls them—which were spread in former days by the old chiefs of Ireland.

Following the biographies of the lazy THOMSON and the fastidious GRAY, we have the doings of SAMUEL JOHNSON which fill such a biographical space in that Middle Georgian era—a man whose intellectual qualities have been somewhat exaggerated, and who owes half his celebrity to his good-natured historian, who knew his worth and humanity. Indeed, JOHNSON'S kind acts make the finest traits in his biography—such as carrying home one night in his arms, a poor sick woman whom he found in the street, and giving rooms in his house to half-a-dozen respectable poor persons, who sorely tried his patience. It was in the society of literary men that he put on his bearskin. He went among them to talk, and talk with him meant controversy after the old scholastic fashion. His age was very unlike ours in that respect. Men of letters then met to say their best things, openly and manfully. Now people are careful to keep their points and arguments to themselves till they find an opportunity to use them in essays and books. BURKE and JOHNSON at the Club talked for mastery, the others looking on. "We had a good talk to-night," said JOHNSON, with a delighted roll, as he walked home with BOSWELL. "Yes, sir," returned JAMIE, "you tossed and gored several persons." When JOHNSON was sick, and they told him BURKE called to see him, he growled out—"Don't let him come up. He would kill me in my present condition"—meaning that he was too weak to hold conversation with the gifted Irishman. During these strong, stand-up talks, GOLDSMITH preferred BURKE to JOHNSON, for his way of "winding into the subject, like a serpent." OLIVER'S own genius was finer and wittier than JOHNSON'S. Speaking to the Doctor one day on the language proper to beasts and fishes in fables, Goldie said: "If you had a fable of little fishes, Doctor, you would make them talk like whales." On such occasions JOHNSON would use savage language, "When his pistol misses fire," OLIVER used to say, "he knocks you down with the butt-end of it," adding, in a few moments, "After all he has nothing of the bear but the skin." JOHNSON'S works are seldom reprinted, while GOLDSMITH is brought out as often as Lord BYRON.

After OLIVER comes COWPER, in his night-cap, nephew of a Lord Chancellor, and descended, on the mother's side, by four lordly lines, from HENRY III., King of England. He was born a year or two after GOLDSMITH, who had run his career and departed before COWPER was heard of in literature. The latter was a delicate and sensitive being, with a natural tendency to insanity, who shrank from the rough business of life and took refuge in a country parsonage, where the impressions of his Calvanistical creed worked with his bad health to darken his spirit and plunge him into long intervals of misery. With gayer company he might never have gone mad. Lady AUSTEN once came to see him at Olney when he was mopish, and rattled him up with the story of "John Gilpin," which he sat down and versified, laughing with much enjoyment. He had the gay grotesque turn of GOLDSMITH, and would sometimes exercise the spirit of the terrible JOHN NEWTON with his jokes and pieces of poetry. One of his letters to that eminent divine looked like prose, while it actually went hopping along on short anapæstic rhymes, enough to disturb the gravity of a dying man. With all his levity and insanity, COWPER has given us a better translation of HOMER than POPE'S, Lord DERBY'S, Dean ALFORD'S, Mr. WORSLEY'S, or any other.

These interesting biographies close with ROBERT BURNS—a poet popular with everybody, and one whose ways nobody would put up with, if he was now going about in society in the same old way. He was a wonderful spendthrift of his life, considering that he was born with a strong, robust constitution, and that he had worn it to a wreck in the thirty-seventh year of his age. But that wild life is held to be worth a million of tame ones, and he sits among the immortals, with the singing robes about him, forever. In poetic thought and scope of mind he was inferior to SCOTT: but in strong-blooded and passionate feeling he ranked above him and every other poet of his country, and, perhaps, of his age; BYRON alone being on a level with him in that respect, and dying at the same age too. BYRON called him a mixture of "dirt and divinity," but he must have been struck with the strong resemblance to himself.

The young readers who wish to know something of those great poetic names that occur in all the varied literature of our times, could have no better book to begin with than the one before us, which says a great deal in a little space, and will stimulate them to become better acquainted with the works of the poets themselves. These last exercise a strong though scarcely recognized power of educating and raising the mind, and the reading of poetry should be taught in our schools like the other branches of learning. That poetry should be the best in our language. The reading-books for children contain pieces in verse, no doubt; but they are, as a general rule, very poor and paltry, calculated to debase the taste of a young person, instead of raising and exciting it. The poets were always among the noblest guides and instructors of men, and the love of poetry is the highest sign of civilization in any country.

THINK AND ACT. By VIRGINIA PENNY. Philadelphia: CLAXTON, REMSEN & HAFFELFINGER. For sale in New-York by SHELDON & CO.

Think and Act is a series of nearly a hundred little essays, the well-purposed, well-written and garrulous work of a lady who has the welfare of her sex sincerely and zealously at heart. She lays great stress upon the necessity of woman's independence—a point on which she will be met, *in limine*, by a power of dissenting argument from the opposition benches. It is an interesting controversy, and the more so, perhaps, that it will never be decided, one way or the other, except in the way of compromise and a drawn battle. If this world were as it ought to be, and every man could earn enough to support his family, women would have no fair cause to be malcontent—the numbers of the sexes being nearly equal in society. But as it is, the world is out of joint, and it is undeniable that vast numbers of women need to work for their own support, as well as the men. It is scarcely a fair argument to say "home" is their proper department, if they cannot have such a blessing, without outside labor. In such circumstances it will be found hard to argue down our authoress or any woman like her who expostulates with fate under strong provocation and touched by a natural sympathy. This movement will continue, like all the other movements; and it is probable that women, impatient of the delaying millenium, will vindicate their cause somehow and conquer a large amount of independence. A result of which would be that woman would not be so "debonair and buxom" as formerly, in the bosom of the family, but much more bold, self-contained and self-asserting in what she would be disposed to call a partnership of interests—as long as that partnership should tend to the good of both parties—they being the best judges of the matter for themselves. Our authoress, however, does not seem to be very revolutionary or to look very far ahead. She is mainly for giving employment to that portion of the sex who need it, and in this way relieving the actual suffering of society. She does not seem to wish inordinately for the suffrage; for she alludes to it only in one essay, and there she speaks of it chiefly in connection with property and its rights. She argues within bounds, and her argument is all the more effective for that. Indeed, it would be a very savage thing to refuse to woman the liberty of taking her place in the work-shop of the world—even if it were not useless to try. As for the suffrage which so jars on the general feeling, perhaps it would be no harm to give it to all women above the age of twenty-five. Women, having weaker passions than men, have fewer evil propensities, and their influence on public opinion and public laws might rather tend to the moral good of society than otherwise. Men are always Tories and Conservatives in this argument, and think that emancipation would be a tempting of Providence, and liberty the first step to licentiousness. But in England and such countries those Tories have always prophecied badly. Society is all the better for those terrifying concessions of more enfranchisement. In the case before us it is probable that, come what may, in the shape of female audacity, secession and defiance, nature will reclaim her order, according to the articles of the original constitution, and so keep up the providential order and design of the cosmogony.

In her *causeries* respecting the home and education duties and purposes of women, Mrs. PENNY is unexceptionably right. She expresses herself with the most excellent feeling and good sense, while some of her didactic little essays are admirable, both in matter and manner, and the whole of them so cover the ground of her subject that we do not know how any one could say upon it anything which is not said in the book before us. Its style has the simplicity, decision and firmness that people are apt to attribute to masculine pens exclusively. Altogether, she seems to be the most persuasive championess of her sex, and her book deserves the candid perusal of all concerned—that is, all the inteligent men and women in society.

THE HISTORY OF PITTSFIELD. By J. E. A. SMITH. Boston: LEE & SHEPARD.

We have here an elegantly-printed volume as large as the town of Pittsfield itself—or very nearly—as regarded from a metropolitan point of view; a book for which the people of that place will have as large and liberal a welcome—and very deservedly. Pittsfield has, by position, a natural right to "a mountainous me"—as Mr. EMERSON expresses it—to say nothing of her merits in other respects; and Mr. SMITH has set them all forth in an attractive and satisfactory manner. The book begins with an agreeable description of that frontier ground of Massachusetts, part of the picturesque Oberland of Western New-England, where Berkshire spreads herself on her high forest plateau, in the midst of her seventy lakes, great and small, and the Housatonic goes winding down among its wooded heights and comfortable villages to the Sound, gathering on its way the tributes of its followers—*i seguaci suoi*—from the mountain slopes or *opes* of the Hoosac Ridges, on the one side, and the Taconic range on the other. This lacustrine valley of the aboriginal Mohegans and Shaghticokes remained unoccupied by the white people for a long time after the settlement of the rest of the colony, on account of the uncertainty of the boundary, till the year 1741, when Colonel STODDARD, Colonel WILLIAMS and others got, from the General Court of Massachusetts, a grant of over twenty-four thousand acres in the Housatonic Valley on the ground where once stood the wigwams of the high and mighty Coochecomeek, Mahtookamin and Wampanon Chiefs of that region. In 1743, forty solid men of Boston, among whom were the WENDELLS, GOODRICHS, LEES, ROOTS, TREMAINES and EASTONS, began to lay the foundations of Pontoosook, subsequently named Pittsfield, after the victorious War-Secretary of the Home Government. The distractions of the French and Indians at first hindered the settlement of the place; but after the expulsion of the former from Canada, matters were greatly changed for the better in New-England, and the Indians quietly let the advancing tide go over them. The book carries us through the early village annals of Pontoosook, when the inhabitants distributed the pews of their church by auction—anticipating the fashion of some of our modern places of worship—and so onward into the clearer and broader light of the revolutionary times, when Colonel WILLIAMS and the head men of Pittsfield wrote up to headquarters, to condemn in strong terms, the throwing of the tea into the harbor—a wild expenditure, for which the colony would be called on to pay, but for which Pittsfield was resolved not to contribute anything—not being able to afford it. This was a natural gasp of Toryism—and the last; for, when the fright about the payment was over, Pittsfield shouldered as heroic a firelock as any of the others. On the surrender of General BURGOYNE, his men passed through Berkshire to Boston, paying their way, and exciting the enthusiasm of the inhabitants, and of the poets, also, one of whom set the statistics of British discomfiture to a dithyrambic melody, which has the downright air and jangle of a regular war-dance:

Here followeth the direful fate,
Of Burgoyne and his army great,
Who so proudly did display
The terrors of despotic sway.

British prisoners by convention, (2,442.)
Foreigners by contravention; (2,198.)
Tories sent across the Lake, (1,100.)
Burgoyne and his suite in state. (12.)

Killed in September and October, (600.)
Taken by Brown, some drunk, some sober, (413.) &c

The whole make fourteen thousand men (14,000.)
Who may not with us fight again!

No obscurity in those poetic figures of BERKSHIRE; and indeed they are true to the military genius of the old epopee; for some ancient author has preserved for us a song of the Gauls in the Roman service, in which the burden was on the word *thousand*, repeated many times, to indicate the killed—a chorus resembling that sung for young David in the time of Saul, as everybody knows.

AFFAIRS IN PERU.

Editorial Responsibilities in Lima—Personal Encounters and Official Surveillance—President Balta Attempts to Shoot an Editor—Revolutionary and Political Affairs—Ignorance of Peruvian Ladies—Frightful Murders.

From Our Own Correspondent.

LIMA, Peru, South America, Monday, Feb. 22, 1869.

Since my last letter this has been an unusually quiet month. A Permanent Commission has been organized to exercise its functions in Governmental affairs during the recess of Congress. Several new Peruvian Consuls have been appointed in adjoining ports on the coast. Not only all the members of Congress and their families, but all the leading men of Lima have gone for recreation to the seaside of Chorrillos—the men to gamble, and the women to dress and flirt, envy each other, and try to outshine every female competitor. This is the only ambition of their lives.

I believe I mentioned in a former letter how extremely arduous was the position of editor of a Government paper in Peru, and how constantly the articles published awoke censure and reproof, and that the editors were often imprisoned for some leading article reflecting upon affairs of Government or of private matter. A few evenings since, as Señor D. VIAL, senior editor of the *Nacional* in Lima, was sitting in his *sanctum*, making out some reports for the morning issue of his paper, a certain Señor VERUTIA (whose father had been commented upon in the *Nacional* on account of some deficiency in his public career) entered the office, and without a word of warning, seized upon the heavy glass inkstand from the desk, and from which Señor VIAL was writing, and broke it into atoms upon the unfortunate editor's head, cutting not only his own hands but the head of Señor VIAL. So furious was his onslaught, and so unexpected his attack, that the editor had no opportunity to defend himself, and now lies in a very precarious state from the effects of his beating. Public opinion seems divided as to the right of this attack upon Señor VIAL by a son of the accused, but certain it is that the elder Señor VERUTIA has been condemned by every one for his vacillating and dishonest course of action in public life.

And still another public fracas, in which President BALTA has taken the most prominent position, has occurred among the corps editorial. A few days after my last writing, a long and exceedingly bitter article appeared in the *Comercio*, or leading Lima paper, reflecting seriously upon the administration of President BALTA, touching him in certain personal and private matters, calculated to deeply wound the feelings of President BALTA, and written with bitter malice and sarcasm. The article was signed C. ODIAGA, and he, it appears, is a military subaltern, who, for some act or misdemeanor, was personally dismissed from the service by President BALTA himself. Señor ODIAGA, considering himself aggrieved by the dismissal from service, questions the legality and justice of the act, and holds President BALTA in supreme contempt. This fiery letter coming to the notice of the President, he immediately sends for Señor AMUNATEGUI, the editor of the *Comercio*, and not the author of the scurrilous article in question. Hardly had Señor AMUNATEGUI entered the palace, little dreaming of the unwelcome greeting awaiting him, when President BALTA met him, and heaped a shower of insult and abuse on his head. In vain did Señor AMUNATEGUI try to explain; but President BALTA only grew more exasperated, and suddenly opening the doors, called in the guard, and ordered them to shoot Señor AMUNATEGUI on the spot. As the unfortunate editor shouted for help, and rushed around the room, trying to evade the guns pointed at him, the noise and *melée* brought in the Ministers, who in vain endeavored to preserve order and appease the wrath of the irate BALTA. For a long time they could not calm the perturbed spirits of the President, who, indignant at the guard not having shot the poor editor, actually took up a chair and threatened to break it over the head of Señor AMUNATEGUI. Fortunately Don FRANCISCO BALTA, the elder brother of President BALTA, and also Minister of War, entered the saloon at this state of affairs, and succeeded in getting his brother out of the room, and escorted the editor also outside the palace walls. The guard, however, interposed and declared that President BALTA had given them strict orders to shoot down Señor AMUNATEGUI, and they dare not disobey his decree. This occasioned another parley, and finally the guard were withdrawn and the editor permitted to go in peace. The affair spread like lightning all over Lima, and Señor Don FRANCISCO BALTA, the savior of the editor's life, went personally to the offices of the papers and forbade them from publishing any account of the matter. But the official paper, *El Peruano*, published a long leading article from President BALTA upon the affair, animadverting upon the liberty of the Press, the pernicious effects of such freedom of speech, and abusing the *Comercio* in the most scathing terms. This long letter called forth a publication of the whole affair in the columns of the *Comercio*, and many predict that Señor AMUNATEGUI will be imprisoned yet for thus daring to publish an *exposé* of the matter. It is universally regretted that President BALTA allowed his temper to obtain the master of him in the affair, that he acted in so violent a manner toward the editor, and that his acts have thus proved derogatory to his dignity.

POLITICAL MATTERS.

Every one here seems to be getting tired of watching for the outbreak of a revolution so long in contemplation. The want of money to carry it out is the only cause of its being delayed so long, as President BALTA has now many and bitter enemies. But Peruvian Presidents are never popular longer than six months. There is great dissatisfaction as to the Cabinet officers, and an entire remodeling is now proposed, Señor BARRENECHEA being reinstated in public favor as Minister of Foreign Affairs. He is a man of unmistakable talent and diplomacy.

The mixed Commission, appointed by protocol in March last, between the then Minister of Foreign Affairs and the Consular and Diplomatic Corps, to adjudicate upon the Callao Pillage claims, (when Callao was sacked by the Spaniards in November, 1865,) has at last reported upon the different claims of property and individuals. Although Congress has closed its sittings for this session, these claims can become officially sanctioned by being "*pro forma*" submitted by the Executive to the consideration of the Permanent Legislative Commission. But the claimants will be obliged to receive Government bonds instead of the coveted silver, and as Peruvian finances are in a very unsatisfactory state at present, these bonds will suffer an alarming depreciation in value. The money would be much more acceptable, but as "half a loaf is better than no bread," they must be satisfied with the bonds or with nothing.

The revolution in Bolivia has been broken up, President MELGAREJO having had the ring-leader, (his *own* cousin,) Colonel LOZADA, shot down by the soldiers for the getting up of the rebellion against his Administration.

THE YELLOW FEVER.

Since the breaking out of yellow fever at the Chinchs Islands, many of the wives and children of the Captains of the ships lying there have taken the steamer at Callao and gone home, fearing to expose themselves to the epidemic. But one Captain has died with it so far, however—an English Captain—the disease being mostly confined to the residents of the islands. As yet, this dread pestilence has not broken out among the ships lying in Callao Bay.

IGNORANCE OF PERUVIAN LADIES.

Having been sojourning for a month past at one of the fashionable bathing-places near Lima for the benefit of the sea air and the daily stimulus of the sea bathing, I happened to make the acquaintance of a cultivated French gentleman, a professor of languages and private teacher among all the wealthy families in Lima. Although I had heard a great deal about the ignorance of the Peruvian young gentlemen and ladies, yet I must confess myself astonished at the information he accorded me relative to nearly every family of note, of wealth and of high position. As we would sit out in the evening on the long shaded promenades that form the principal out-door attraction for the young of both sexes, and as one and another of the dark-eyed señoritas would pass us, dressed in the most stylish and expensive outfit, really better fitted to a ball-room than for display in a crowded and dusty public promenade, the young people would invariably stop to bow and chat with their learned preceptor, always treating him with that courtesy and politeness that is an element of Peruvian life, and that is inherent among every station and caste. As these bright-eyed damsels stood conversing or jesting, I had abundant opportunity to notice the elegance of their wardrobes, the richness of their diamonds and the general "*tout ensemble*" of their dashing appearance. What could equal my astonishment when the professor would gravely inform me how exceedingly limited were their attainments, in fact, how totally and deplorably ignorant they, one and all were—indeed, perfectly indifferent as to knowing anything beyond the art of dress and flirtation. In such a family of young ladies (whose station entitles them to a position first in Limenian society) "I am teaching those young ladies just conversing with me to write, to read and to spell. In another family, eminent as to their station and wealth, I am instructing the young ladies, whose style and dress are the envy of all the rest here, in writing, reading a little arithmetic and the geography of Peru. In a few families, very ambitious to be scholars, I am teaching French, but only as a conversation, and not from the grammar. Nearly every young lady I am instructing, will not go beyond her own Spanish language, and I cannot induce any of them to take up any history, beyond that of Peru, the simplest geography of their own Republic, and a limited amount of arithmetic; never beyond addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Some of the very wealthiest are only learning to read, spell and write, and persist in thinking that there is no other country or people worth knowing anything about excepting their own land, Peru. All of them have fine musical tastes, and though too indolent to take lessons in music, scientifically or thoroughly, yet each one will play acceptably from ear nearly every brilliant or popular air or ballad they may chance to like."

I was astonished at this lamentable ignorance among the higher classes. I knew that they were wholly given to dress and to appearance, but I supposed they attended school when children, and had some instruction in the common branches. This, he assured me, was a great mistake on my part, and as I had no reason for misstating the facts, I give you this little insight into the educational element of Peruvian high life. I suppose it would create great scandal if it were known that their learned Professor not only holds their scholastic attainments in supreme contempt, but is willing to communicate the fact to a stranger, and that stranger a foreigner too. But it speaks poorly for the literary ability of the Peruvian young *elite* of both sexes. The ladies make a very fine showy appearance, and are generally very fond of their children, and very affectionate and loving in disposition, but they are wretched housekeepers, and having no resources, such as reading or sewing, fancy work or literary talent of any kind, they perforce must pass their time in dress, in gossip, and in making and receiving visits. Such is their daily life, and never knowing any higher aspirations, they are satisfied with the bare life that would be a degradation to any educated female. Here is a great field for usefulness among the "Women's Rights people," and if they would emigrate here they could train the ignorant minds and instruct them in every possible accomplishment.

FRIGHTFUL MURDERS.

By the steamer just arrived from down the North Coast we have an account of some awful murders committed on an immense sugar plantation called San Pedro. It seems that one of the coolies at work on the estate was denied some request of his, and in revenge he that night took a butcher knife and murdered seven persons—the proprietor, the wife, her aged mother and four defenceless little children. In the morning, when every one was found weltering in their blood, the public indignation ran to such a pitch that the Chinaman was taken out into the public square, tied to an iron post and saturated with turpentine. Then, in full view of all the Chinamen, he was burned up alive at his fiery post. Two days later, in an adjoining plantation, the major domo, or steward of the house, was murdered by a coolie, and this coolie was also taken and burnt alive before the assembled people. They say the coolies are greatly enraged and excited, and as they are a very cruel and revengeful set, it is feared that a revolt will break out among them, and that they will rise and massacre every white person and every plantation owner. There are so many thousands of them at work on the estates that they can carry everything before them if once they rise in revolt. An armed force from Lima has been sent down, and more troops are to go; but the trouble is not over, and the danger looks very threatening.

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Commencement of the Hot Season—The Loss of the Steamship Santiago—The Horrors of the Coolie Trade—Removal of the Remains of a Saint—Destruction of Another Town by an Earthquake—Scandal in Lima.

From Our Own Correspondent.

LIMA, Peru, S. A., Saturday, Feb. 27, 1869.

The tropical Summer has now set in with a vengeance, and as one glaring hot day succeeds another, the yellow fever, which is raging in North Peru, must make its ravages felt in Lima and Callao.

The last steamer from Panama brought Mr. HENDERSON, late Her Majesty's Consul at Panama, to take charge of the English Consulate at Callao, Mr. WILTHROW, the acting Consul at Callao, being removed to take Mr. HENDERSON'S place in Panama.

Mr. WILTHROW lies seriously ill, however, in Callao, and is unable to depart in to-day's steamer. A few cases of yellow fever are reported in Callao, but not as yet in the hospitals. The Peruvians complain incessantly of the extreme heat and hot sun, while the truth is that a cool wind is blowing from the sea always, and no day in the Summer begins to be as hot as the months of July, August and September in the United States, the thermometer never ranging as high as ninety degrees. As to the nights, there has never been a night in Peru, since I became a resident, that a blanket was not used upon my bed as a covering. Think of growling at the heat with a woolen blanket on your beds, oh! ye roasted inhabitants of Gotham! Yet the Peruvians call the Summers here insupportable and insufferable, while they do not know what heat is.

THE LOSS OF THE SANTIAGO.

The last letter I reported the loss of the Pacific English Mail Company's steamer *Arica* down the coast, and by the last mail we have intelligence of the total loss of another one of the same Company's steamers—the finest one on the new English route, and the swiftest sailer. I allude to the *Santiago*, which left Callao for England by the new route through the Straits of Magellan, commanded by Captain KING, one of the Company's ablest commanders. The information received of the loss of the *Santiago* was very meagre, as it barely stated the fact that she struck on a sunken rock in the Straits of Magellan, and that all the passengers and crew were saved, an English man-of-war being in the vicinity of the accident, and coming to the rescue in time to save every person on board. We shall have full particulars by the next English mail.

THE HORRORS OF THE COOLIE TRADE.

The yellow fever is greatly on the increase in Lima, and in Callao a few new cases are reported. The physicians in Lima have entered a solemn protest against the arrival (and often months' detention) of coolie ships in Callao Bay. These ships, loaded with Chinamen, are constantly arriving in Callao Bay, destined for transportation to the sugar, coffee, rice and cotton plantations up and down the entire coast of Peru, and the yellow fever was first communicated to the residents of Callao and Lima by the arrival of these coolie ships, with the disease on board, among the Chinamen. The leading physicians declare that this yellow fever is not a miasma, nor a disease incidental to the climate of Peru, and that it will always be an epidemic here every season, having got such a foothold, as long as these overloaded and overcrowded coolie ships are permitted to come here with the disease on board. They all declare that there is always to be found a kind of yellow fever or ship fever on board every coolie ship ever landing here. If this be true, (and I have no reason to doubt the testimony of so many able physicians,) I should think the Government here would at once take active measures to prevent these coolies from arriving and discharging here, as these Chinamen certainly do bring all kinds of disease and death among their crowded numbers. I know of no sadder sight than to visit the hold of a Chinese cargo ship and see the poor wretches, huddled into such close and dirty quarters as to be incapable of lying down; sitting, half bent, half lying, in the dark, noisome hold, covered with sores and vermin, dying of fever and scurvy, and the coolies around them so indifferent to the fate of a dying comrade, and so jealous to obtain his vacant room and breathing-space that I have seen them actually pick up the poor, dying wretch before the breath had left the body, and toss the loathsome carcase overboard, in actual glee, at having got a little more room in which to stretch out their own cramped limbs. The food they get is well calculated to breed disease and pestilence. Twice a day only a pint of rice, so mouldy and wormy often as to be unfit for any purpose, and so scrimped an allowance that the poor wretches will lick the outside, bottom, top, sides and handle of the tin, as a ravenous dog would gnaw a bone. I have turned shudderingly away when I have been looking at the poor wretches at their meals, and as I looked over the side of the ship I have seen the nankeen pants and jacket of some poor coolie bobbing up and down a moment before sinking, a sad witness that the coolies about him had pitched him overboard, possibly while yet alive! The Captains tell me that they are powerless to prevent this happening—that every cargo of coolies has its own Chinese physician on board, but that the coolies are so proverbially cruel and indifferent to the sufferings of others that, despite their care and watchfulness, they will thus rid themselves of their ailing fellow-sufferers! I myself saw them playing dominoes, with one of their number gasping in the death agony at their very elbows, and whenever the horribly swollen head of the dying coolie got into the way of their game, one of those engaged in gambling would rudely push the poor wretch to one side. Walking aft to look at some more interesting spectacle, not a half hour after this occurrence, I caught a glimpse of some nankeen trousers drifting in the foam at the anchor, and I think the dying coolie that I have described was then on his way to another refuge for Celestials. I have also seen them transferring the coolies from one ship to another and those suffering from scurvy and disease were brought on board, rolled in a blanket, their arms clasping their knees, and two sailors bringing them along by their clasped elbows, dumping them down in the hold, and pulling them by the ears to make them sit up, exactly as I have seen dead hogs loaded into freight cars. I asked "what was done with the very sick ones left behind as unfit for transferment?" and I was told that they were thrown overboard as soon as dead, and the ship had got out into deep water. I think I have seen them disposed of before they were quite dead. Is it any wonder that this horrid coolie trade has brought with it such sickness, epidemic, and disease. As long as these ship loads of Coolies are permitted to lie in Callao Bay weeks, and often months, before being disposed of, huddled in amid the filth and disease to which they are so subject, and without proper attention from the health authorities, I do not see how it is possible to prevent the spread of yellow fever.

CANONIZING A SAINT.

Callao had a great feast day and religious observances last Sunday, over the canonization of a saint—a Sister MERCEDES, who died in Callao some twenty years ago. She was a Sister Superior, belonging to the Convent of the Sacred Heart, and noted for her good works and deeds of mercy. She died of some lingering disease wherein the blood all turns to water—a species of diabetes, probably. They tell fabulous stories of the perfect transparency of her body after death, of the clear marble of the skin, and of seeing through the outer surface of her body, even to the conformation of her brain, heart and lungs. For her good deeds she was made a saint, and at her burial the Archbishop cut the form

WASHINGTON.

The Finances of the Country in a Hopeful Condition.

No More Secret Sales of Gold to be Permitted.

Further Debate in the Senate on the Tenure-of-Office Law.

No Vote Taken --- The Debate to be Continued.

The Office-Seekers and Politicians Growing Impatient.

Special Dispatches to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Friday, March 19.

The financial condition of the Treasury at the close of the present fiscal year will undoubtedly be much more favorable than was anticipated. This can be stated on semi-official authority. The receipts from Customs now promise to be the largest of any one year in the history of the Government. They will reach, without doubt, $190,000,000, or $20,000,000 in excess of the estimates, and it is not impossible that they may even reach the high figure of $200,000,000. The internal revenue receipts to the present time are in excess of $100,000,000. The remaining three and a half months will cover the greater portion of the income tax, and the special taxes which fall due May 1, and which will augment the receipts to $150,000,000 and possibly to $160,000,000. This will be fully up to Commissioner WELLS' estimate for the internal revenue, and if the latter figure is reached it will be considerably exceeded.

GOVERNMENT SALES OF GOLD.

The House Committee of Ways and Means, headed by their Chairman, General SCHENCK, this morning paid an official visit to the President and Secretary BOUTWELL, as is customary after the organization of the Committee. They also called upon Commissioner DELANO. They had a long conversation with Secretary BOUTWELL relative to financial matters, during which the Secretary declared that it was his intention to sell gold publicly and never at private sale, and also that it was his opinion that he had the power to invest surplus gold in bonds, and he thought he would do so.

CONTINUED DEARTH OF APPOINTMENTS.

This was another day of disappointment to expectants of office. It was generally believed that the President would at least send in some of the important revenue appointments. But General PORTER, on his arrival at the Capitol, presented but one name, that of W. A. RICHARDSON, Esq., of Boston, for Assistant Secretary of the Treasury. It is getting to be weary waiting for many people, and as resources give out they depart in sorrow and disgust. The Senate is more blamed than the President, for the great pressure for office is for positions which must first be made vacant by removal. The total number of vacancies is only about two hundred all told, and this will not go far under existing circumstances to supply the demand for change.

THE TENURE-OF-OFFICE BILL.

Six speeches were made on the Tenure-of-Office act to-day, after which, at 4:30, the Senate went into Executive Session, so that the whole subject again went over till to-morrow. Mr. SCHURZ made an exceedingly practical speech in favor of suspension with a modification. It was his maiden effort in the Senate, and a pin might have have been heard drop when he rose. There was, however, no oratorial pretensions. His remarks were simple and to the point. Mr. SPRAGUE followed. He made a startling if not an able speech, not on the bill particularly, but on the composition of the two Houses of Congress. He was of the opinion that there were too many lawyers in Congress; that they were incapable of legislating for the interests of a great country. A tyranny and an aristocracy existed, said he, at the present time on the floor of the Senate. Mr. NYE followed in a piece of special pleading for the lawyers, but it did not possess much force, although it amused the galleries. Mr. TRUMBULL endeavored to get a night session, but the Senate decided otherwise by a small majority.

The question of repeal or suspension of the law is to-night the general theme of speculation among politicians, and there is quite as much anxious canvassing on the subject as there was twelve months ago on the very same measure, when the effort was being made to convict ANDREW JOHNSON for an alleged violation of its provisions. A careful canvass of the Senate to-day gives the following as the probable vote to-morrow on the question:

For Repeal—Messrs. Abbott, Bayard, Boreman, Cameron, Casserly, Corbett, Cragin, Davis, Fenton, Fessenden, Fowler, Gilbert, Grimes, Hamlin, Kellogg, Mecreery, McDonald, Morton, Norton, Osborne, Pomeroy, Pratt, Robertson, Ross, Sherman, Spencer, Sprague, Stockton, Thayer, Thurman, Vickers, Warner, Yates—33.

Against Repeal—Messrs. Anthony, Brownlow, Buckingham, Carpenter, Cattell, Chandler, Cole, Conkling, Drake, Edmunds, Ferry, Harlan, Harris, Howard, Howe, Morrill, Nye, Patterson, Pool, Ramsey, Rice, Sawyer, Schurz, Scott, Stewart, Sumner, Tipton, Trumbull, Willey, Williams, Wilson—31.

This gives thirty-three for repeal to thirty-one against it. The first vote to-morrow will be taken on Mr. THAYER'S amendment, which declares the law inoperative and on which those in favor of repeal will rally. There are some to-night who give up all hope of being able to carry the repeal, as according to them only twenty-nine votes can be counted on for that side. The question will then recur on the amendment of the Judiciary Committee, suspending the law, and the figures on that are thirty-two in favor to thirty-one against it. There are three or four doubtful Senators, who may go one way or the other, but the majority either way will not be more than two or three. Only sixty-four Senators are accounted for in the preceding calculations, although the Senate consists properly of sixty-six, but Mr. HAMILTON has not yet been sworn in, and Mr. SAULSBURY is too much indisposed to attend.

THE STATE DEPARTMENT.

Secretary FISH was at the State Department this morning at 10 o'clock, where he was engaged for a short time on official business, and then admission was given to members of Congress and others. Among those who called were Don MANRICO LOPEZ ROBERTS, the Spanish Minister, who presented his credentials; E. M. MCCOOK, United States Minister Resident at the Hawaiian Islands; Governor MARSHALL, of Kentucky; Senators PRATT and FENTON, Representatives HOAG, DEWEESE, BINGHAM, VAN HORN and others. The usual office-seeking visitors were early on hand, together with large accessions to their number; but none of them were able to obtain interviews, as about 11 o'clock the Secretary left the Department to attend the Cabinet meeting.

GENERAL LONGSTREET'S NOMINATION.

The Senate Committee on Commerce have considered the nomination of General LONGSTREET for Surveyor of the Port of New-Orleans, at one or more meetings, and though their action has not yet taken the shape of a formal vote, it is exceedingly probable that the Committee will report the nomination back for the action of the Senate without any recommendation. The whole policy involved in the appointment will then receive a thorough discussion in the Senate. Of the Louisiana Senators KELLOGG will favor the confirmation, and HARRIS, in obedience to what he believes to be the sentiments of his loyal constituents, will oppose it. The result, therefore, is doubtful. Colonel CASEY, the nominee for Collector, will be confirmed.

THE NEW-YORK APPOINTMENTS.

On the subject of the New-York appointments, only this can be positively said, viz.: That they have been substantially agreed upon. It was believed by some gentlemen who are cognizant of their *status* that they would be sent to the Senate to-day, but they did not come. The names of the successful candidates have not transpired, and there is no reason, on what little is known, to vary the statement afloat last night as regards Collector and Naval Officer. The name of Hon. JOHN A. GRISWOLD has been quite freely mentioned in connection with the Collectorship of the Port for the past two days.

COLLECTOR SHOOK.

The report of the resignation of Collector SHOOK, of the Third District, was incorrect. That officer has not resigned.

JUDGE RICHARDSON CONFIRMED

Judge WM. A. RICHARDSON was confirmed by the Senate to-day for the position of Assistant Secretary of the Treasury. Mr. RICHARDSON thought at first of declining, but finally he consented to accept for a short time, and will enter upon its duties. He does not intend to resign his position on the bench and will ultimately return to Massachusetts.

THE HOUSE PROCEEDINGS.

The House spent nearly the whole day on the Indian Apppopriation bill, and passed it. The bill is in precisely the same shape as when it passed the House before, Mr. DAWES having successfully resisted all attempts at amending it to-day. The amount appropriated is $2,418,000. It now goes to the Senate just as it went before, and the same issue made then will doubtless be made again. The difference between the two Houses is about $4,000,000.

ARRIVAL OF DR. MUDD.

Dr. MUDD arrived in Baltimore yesterday on the steamship *Liberty*, from Key West. He remained several hours, and then left Baltimore for his home in Charles County. When Dr. MUDD left the Dry Tortugas, ARNOLD and SPANGLER were in good health. As their pardons went out in the steamship *Cuba*, they are expected to reach their homes on the return of that ship.

Dispatches to the Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Friday, March 19.

THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

Superintendent RICE, of the Treasury Building, is engaged in taking an inventory of the stock and property belonging to the Government in that building.

The following are the custom receipts from March 8 to 13, inclusive:

Boston	$326,282
New-York	2,569,899
Philadelphia	128,567
Baltimore	207,208
San Francisco, from Feb. 1 to 15	238,547
Total	$3,506,503

Dr. H. C. LANCK, Chief Clerk of the Pension Office, died this morning of consumption.

PRESENTATION OF THE NEW SPANISH MINISTER.

Mr. ROBERTS, the newly accredited Minister of the Provisional Government of Spain, was officially presented to the President to-day. The following is a copy of Mr. ROBERTS' remarks upon the occasion:

Mr. PRESIDENT: I have the honor to present to you the letter of credence by which His Excellency, the President of the Provisional Government, charged with the Executive power, accredits me as Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of Spain to the Republic of the United States of America. Spain, carrying out a revolution which has destroyed her ancient institutions, which were opposed to the development of a policy desired by the nation, awaits from the national sovereignty, represented by several Constituent Cortes, the form of government which is to rule over her future destinies, and cherishes the confidence that the new order of things which is springing up will obtaian the sympathies of the United States and of all liberal people, as she obtained them on the reception of the news of her glorious revolution. The only lot falling to me is to discharge the honorable mission to this Republic which my Government has confided to me. I shall endeavor, by all the means in my reach, to maintain and strengthen the friendly relations which have always existed between Spain and the United States.

The President replied:

Mr. ROBERTS: I am happy to receive you as the Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of Spain in the United States. The recent events in that country, to which you advert, have excited, and will continue to maintain, a lively interest here, hoping as we do that they may ultimately lead to an increase in the welfare and happiness of the people of Spain. The disposition which you express to exert yourself during your mission, to the end that these friendly relations which have always existed between the two countries may be strengthened, will be cordially reciprocated by me.

THE FRANKING QUESTION.

Postmaster-General CRESWELL has addressed the following circular to the several members of the Cabinet, with a request that the names and signatures of the chief clerks of the respective bureaus be furnished the City Post Office for the guidance of the Postmaster in carrying out the order:

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT.

With a view to facilitate the transmission by mail of official communications emanating from the Executive Departments in this city, and the bureaus thereof, it is ordered that authority be given to the chief clerks of the bureaus of all the Executive Departments to frank official mail matter emanating from the bureaus to which they are attached.

J. A. J. CRESWELL, Postmaster-General.

The practice heretofore has been to stamp a fac simile of the officer's signature upon the envelope, but under the late law the signatures must be autographic, and the authority to sign by the above order is given to chief clerks of bureaus, as it would require most of the time of the heads of bureaus to frank official letters, over 1,500 going out daily from the Second Auditor's office alone.

ARMY MATTERS.

General Orders No. 19, issued from the headquarters of the army, are as follows:

All officers of infantry below the rank of Major, absent from their regiments, are hereby afforded option for joining their respective companies to take their chances in consolidation, or to remain, as at present, detached or on leave. Every such officer, no matter on what duty he may be, can now apply to be relieved, and the commanding General of the army, or of the Military Department in which such officer is serving, will relieve him and order him to join his proper regiment before the consolidation, either while the regiment is *en route* to or in the Department to which it is assigned, by general orders No. 17, in the way the journey will involve the least expense to the United States.

Second—Commanders of Departments, wherein regiments of artillery or cavalry are serving, will report the names of all absent officers, and may recommend to these Headquarters any of the infantry officers left out by the consolidation competent to fill places of the officers of artillery and cavalry so absent, with a view to their permanent transfer on assignment.

Third—Commanding Generals of Departments, and of the First, Fourth and Fifth Districts, under the Reconstruction act, may also retain out of the officers left out by the consolidation, a number of officers, not to exceed four to each regiment assigned for duty in their respective commands, for court martial, signal or staff duty.

Fourth—Signal duty will hereafter be done by the Regimental Adjutant, or by officers to be detached by the Department Commander, who will acquaint themselves with the system of the signals adopted and prescribed by the Chief Signal Officer in Washington, and these will be expected, when occasion requires, to qualify themselves to transmit orders by signals as well as by words.

Fifth—When the consolidation is complete the recruiting service will be reorganized, and chiefly the officers disabled by wounds or by long service will be detailed.

Captain MCKEEVER, who has been in command of the guard stationed at the Executive Mansion since the assassination of President LINCOLN, has been ordered to join his regiment at Atlanta, Ga.

The President has directed Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel W. R. PEASE to be relieved from duty as Professor of Military Tactics at the State University of Wisconsin, at Madison, and he will, at the end of the present college term, proceed to his home in Brooklyn.

Post Chaplain CHARLES M. BLAKE has resigned.

Brevet Colonel J. G. CHANDLER, Major and Quartermaster, is announced as Chief Quartermaster of the First Military District, and will relieve Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel JAMES M. MOORE.

SUPREME COURT PROCEEDINGS.

In the Supreme Court to-day, on the motion of W. F. SAUNDERS, OBED. F. STRICKLAND, of Utah, was admitted to practice as an attorney and counselor of this Court.

On motion of Mr. CUSHING, WILLIAM A. RICHARDSON, of Massachusetts, was also admitted to practice.

On motion of J. H. MITCHELL, JAMES B. UNDERWOOD, of Oregon, was also admitted to practice.

On motion of Hon. WILLIAM M. EVARTS, HENRY B. HAMMOND, of New-York, was also admitted to practice.

On motion of Hon. MATTHEW H. CARPENTER, CLARK BELL, of New-York, was also admitted to practice.

No. 222.—*Ex parte*, William H. McCarle, appellant. The motion to enter judgment in this cause was argued by Mr. Sharkey, in support of the same, and by Mr. Carpenter, in opposition thereto.

No. 217.—The Providence Rubber Company, appellant, vs. Charles Goodyear, executor &c., et al. The motion to rescind the several orders heretofore entered in this cause was argued by Mr. Evarts, of counsel in support of the same, and by Mr. Carlisle and Mr. Cushing, of counsel in opposition thereto.

No. 13.—Original *ex parte* Samuel Arnold petitioner and No. 14, original, *ex parte* Edward Spangler petitioner. Petitions for *habeas corpus*. Mr. Phillips, of counsel for the petitioners, filed a certificate of the granting of pardons by the President of the United States to the petitioners, whereupon it was ordered by the Court that the petitions be dismissed.

No. 117.—William Ward et al., plaintiffs in error, vs. Francis L. Smith.—The argument of this cause was continued by Arthur G. Brown, of counsel for plaintiffs in error, and by L. Brent, Esq., for defendant in error, and concluded by Frederick W. Brune for the plaintiffs in error.

Adjourned until Monday morning.

FORTY-FIRST CONGRESS.

FIRST SESSION.

SENATE.—WASHINGTON, Friday, March 19.

Mr. FESSENDEN presented petitions for the removal of political disabilities.

Mr. WILSON, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported a bill relating to the Freedmen's Bureau, which was passed. It continues the educational and collection departments of the Bureau until Jan. 1, 1870.

Mr. PERRY introduced a bill to establish the office of Associate Judge for the Eastern District of Texas. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. KELLOGG offered a resolution, which was agreed to, directing the Secretary of the Treasury to transmit any information in his possession regarding the present condition of the Marine Hospital at New-Orleans.

Mr. DRAKE submitted an amendment, in the nature of a substitute, for the bill to reorganize the judicial system, lately reported from the Committee.

PROTECTION OF SETTLERS' RIGHTS.

Mr. POMEROY, from the Committee on Public Lands, reported, with amendments, joint resolutions enabling actual settlers to purchase certain Cherokee and Osage Indian lands, and extending the time to construct the St. Croix and Lake Superior Railroad.

Mr. CASSERLY, from the same Committee, reported a bill amendatory of the act to protect the rights of actual settlers on the public lands, approved July 27, 1868.

The bill provides that Agricultural College scrip shall be received from actual settlers in payment of preemption claims in the same manner as bounty land warrants, and that all locations of such scrip made within thirty days after the passage of the approval of said act, if otherwise in conformity with the law, shall be deemed legal and valid.

LAND GRANTS.

Mr. TIPTON introduced a bill granting lands to aid in the construction of a railroad from Lincoln, Nebraska, to Denver, Colorado. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. RAMSEY introduced a bill granting lands to the States of Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota to aid in the construction of railroads from Menomee River to St. Paul, and from Green Bay to La Crosse. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

THE OCEAN MAIL SERVICE.

Mr. FENTON introduced a bill to encourage the building of steamships in the United States, and to provide for the transportation of the United States mails to Europe by such vessels. Referred to the Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads.

It directs the Postmaster-General to contract with the North American Steam Navigation Company for a weekly service from New-York to Antwerp, with the Commercial Navigation Company for a service in conformity with the act of July 27, 1868, between New-York and Liverpool, and between New-York and Bremen, and with the American Steamship Company for a semi-monthly service between Boston and Liverpool, together with any other companies, so that there may be four departures per week of mails to Europe.

QUESTION OF ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. HOWE called up the order offered by him yesterday, setting aside Friday in each week for the consideration of business from certain committees.

Mr. TRUMBULL hoped the order would not be adopted, because its adoption would indicate an intention to prolong the present session. He thought the Senate ought either to agree to adjourn on the day named in the resolution of the House or very soon afterward.

Mr. HOWE said the object of the order was to avoid the necessity of struggling for the floor from day to day.

The Senate refused to take up the order by a vote of 13 to 23.

Mr. WILSON moved to take up the House resolution fixing the time of adjournment, but at the joint suggestion of several Senators, withdrew the motion.

DIVORCE CASES.

On motion of Mr. TRUMBULL, the bill concerning divorce cases in the District of Columbia, and the bill regulating the rights of married women in the District of Columbia, were taken up and passed.

COMPENSATION FOR BRITISH VESSELS SEIZED.

Mr. SUMNER called up the bill to carry into effect the decrees of United States Courts relative to compensation for British vessels illegally seized during the rebellion.

Mr. STEWART said he was opposed to the bill, and opposed to compensating British subjects under any circumstances for ships seized by our Government during the late war, until Great Britain should agree to settle our claims against her.

Mr. SUMNER said these were cases in which our own Courts had decreed that the British vessels had been wrongfully seized.

Mr. STEWART was at a loss to see how a British ship could have been wrongfully seized by the United States during the rebellion, when Great Britain was, herself, making active flagrant war upon us. His doctrine was, that at that time, it was perfectly proper for us to capture or destroy British ships, wherever found.

Mr. FESSENDEN was astonished at the avowal of the Senator from Nevada, and thought the policy which that Senator advocated, inconsistent with law, equity, or national honor. The pending bill was intended simply to carry into effect decrees of our own Courts.

Mr. STEWART did not hold himself under any obligation to carry into effect the decrees of any Court to pay British claims, until our claims against Great Britain should be in a fair way of being settled. The decrees were no doubt legally correct, but they were based upon legislative action long anterior to the war, and without reference to the conduct of Great Britain during the war. He repeated that it would have been perfectly proper during the war for the United States to retaliate upon Great Britain by destroying her ships. It might not have been wise, for it would, of course, have led to open war. Even as it was, however, there had been war between the two countries, but it had been all on one side.

The bill went over at the expiration of the morning hour.

THE TENURE-OF-OFFICE BILL.

The Tenure-of-Office act came up as unfinished business.

Mr. SCOTT resumed his argument to show that the power of removal from office is within the jurisdiction of Congress, and may be regulated by legislation. The Republican Party was committed to that view by the Tenure-of-Office act, by the vote on the impeachment, and by its party platform. He hoped, therefore, that the Senate would stand upon principle, and refuse to repeal the law; but he would vote for its suspension with proper qualifications and safeguards.

Mr. SCHURZ thought that a man might declare himself in favor of repeal or against, without being open, on the one hand, to the charge of obsequiousness, or, on the other, to the charge of discourtesy to the President. Had the question been presented to him simply upon its merits, he might have voted for repeal. He believed the law to be strictly constitutional, but the constitutional view was not always the only, nor sometimes even the most important, view of a question, and in this case there were certain great practical questions to be taken into consideration. One of the greatest problems presented to the statesmen of the day, was how to reform the public service and root out the degrading and disgraceful corruption and inefficiency existing there. The main source of that corruption was not to be found in the exercise of arbitrary power of removal by the Executive, but in the system of appointments of public officers at random from personal or political favoritism, or upon the principle that "to the victors belong the spoils." While that system should be continued it would be a question whether a law like the Tenure-of-Office act would not do more harm by preventing salutary removals by a good President than it would do good by preventing improper removals by a bad President. When the body politic was daily swallowing poison it was well to have at hand, ready to act promptly, a powerful emetic like the absolute power of removal from office. Therefore, he might be willing to vote for repeal if he believed that the majority of the Senate was in favor of keeping the law on the statute book in its present form. It seemed, however, to be generally understood that if the law was not repealed it would have to be modified at the next session of Congress. For this reason, paradoxical as it might seem, he would now vote against repeal, because he hoped that when the subject should come up again Congress, having already attempted reform in the wrong direction and failed, would go to the root of the evil, and at least attempt a true reform by establishing a system of examination, appointment for merit, and removals for cause, thus giving respectability and permanence to the public service. He did not expect to bring about the millenium by act of Congress, but he did hope that at the next session one step, at least, would be taken in the right direction. With this hope he would vote to suspend the law, in order to facilitate the action of President GRANT in removing unworthy public officers. He had heard, with regret, rumors that the President felt sensitive on the subject, and would not send any nominations to the Senate until the Tenure-of-Office act should be repealed. These rumors, though doubtless without foundation, had a tendency to make trouble between the Legislative and Executive branches of the Government, and were, therefore, to be deprecated; because, although the struggle of Congress with Mr. JOHNSON has shown that a President, even with the fullest official power and patronage, was in the end powerless against the will of the people and their representatives; yet it had also shown that he could imperil, and to some extent neutralize, the effect of the best legislation. He (Mr. SCHURZ) could not himself believe any of these stories. He was not one of those who availed themselves of every opportunity to fly into a paroxysm of adulation of President GRANT, but he had too favorable an opinion of his character and judgment to believe that he would not avail himself with avidity of every aid to do what the country expected him to do, whether that aid came in the shape of a suspension or repeal of the Tenure-of-Office law.

Mr. SPRAGUE followed with an argument for repeal. A day or two ago, he remarked, the Senator from Maine (Mr. FESSENDEN) had felt called upon, as he often did, to lecture the Senate, and had been especially severe upon those who advocated the repeal of the Tenure-of-Office act because of the high character of the President; but he (Mr. SPRAGUE) believed that that was a legitimate and an excellent reason for repeal. He believed that one such man occupying a responsible position like the President's might more safely be trusted to act with reference to the interests and views of the whole country than an irresponsible, limited and non-representative body like the Senate. The great evil in both Houses of Congress was that too many of the members were lawyers—men educated only in one line, in one range of ideas and experience, and therefore incompetent to represent faithfully the diverse interests and necessities of the great mass of the people. Of sixty-six members of the Senate forty-five were lawyers, and of the twenty-one remaining five had received a legal education, and most of the few remaining members were guided and governed by lawyers and their teachings. In the House the preponderance of members of this profession was even greater than in the Senate. Some States had no other representatives. This was a most unwholesome state of affairs. He was not one of those who worshiped the political system transmitted to us by our fathers, or attributed to it our great material growth. The mainsprings of our prosperity had been slavery and foreign immigration; the former had stimulated the growth of cotton and made it an American monopoly, and so had built up the manufacturing and commercial interests of the North, and these had in turn invited foreign immigration. The politicians had, of course, had something to do with the promotion of each of these great interests, but all they had accomplished after all was the building up of two great powers for mutual destruction. The politicians had never been willing to let the people know the true state of the country. They had failed to warn them of the approach of the late war, and had plunged them into it unprepared. The politicians still adhered to the same blind policy, but he had already done something to let the people know the true condition of the country, and he meant to do more. The object of the majority in Congress seemed to be rather to perpetuate the existence of a party than to promote the welfare of the people; but no party could have his support which did not make the prosperity and contentment of the people its chief object. A party which failed in this, failed in the great purpose for which alone it had a right to exist. In conclusion he said he was in favor of repealing the Tenure-of-Office act in any case, because if he had to subject himself to any tyranny, he preferred the tyranny of one man with some humanity in him and occupying a responsible position, to that of an irresponsible body like the Senate.

Mr. NYE humorously defended the lawyers from the sledge-hammer assaults of the Boanerges from Rhode Island.

Mr. CORBETT made an argument for repeal. He wished to leave the President untrammeled, because he believed that a single man in his position could better judge of the fitness of officers to serve the public than could the Senate. He reminded the Senate that the war of the Government against the rebellion was a costly failure until one man was given supreme command, when it immediately began to be successful.

Mr. BAYARD also spoke in favor of repealing the law, because he believed it to be unconstitutional. The position of those who thought otherwise and yet favored its suspension was, in his judgment, untenable, because the Senate had no more right to divest itself of a constitutional power than it had to usurp a power not granted by the Constitution.

At 4:40 the Senate went into Executive Session, and soon thereafter adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Resolutions for the employment of clerks to the Committees on Naval Affairs, Invalid Pensions and of the District of Columbia were introduced and referred to the Committee on Accounts.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. PAINE introduced a bill to refund to the City of Milwaukee $15,000 for moneys advanced for the improvement of the harbor. Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. JULIAN introduced a bill providing that agricultural lands sold for the non-payment of taxes in the lately rebellious States be disposed of in subdivisions not exceeding forty acres each, and that no greater portion shall be disposed of than is actually necessary to discharge the legal obligations. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. JOHNSON introduced a substitute for the Senate bill to protect the fur and seal trade in Alaska. Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. WILSON, of Minnesota, presented a memorial of the Legislature of Minnesota in reference to the Falls of St. Anthony. Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. WILSON also introduced a bill making a grant of land for the same purpose as that set forth in the memorial of the Legislature. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. DOCKERY introduced a bill to refund to distillers of brandy from apples, peaches or grapes the special tax exacted under section 59 of the act of the 20th of July, 1868. Referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

THE INDIAN APPROPRIATION BILL.

The House then went into Committee of the Whole on the State of the Union, Mr. JUDD in the chair, and proceeded to the consideration of the Indian Appropriation bill.

Mr. DAWES, Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, explained the bill. It called, he said, for appropriations to the amount of $2,413,816 for the purpose of fulfilling existing treaties with Indian tribes; it was the precise bill as it passed the House last session, and which had failed to become a law owing to disagreement between the two Houses; the Senate had added on to the bill, by way of amendments, additional appropriations to the amount of $4,341,902; those amendments had grown out of an attempt, on the part of the Senate, to make provision for the fulfillment of the stipulations of eleven treaties with Indians, made since the 11th of August last, by the Indian Peace Commission. This bill contained none of these items, and therefore it would be premature for him to anticipate any of the difficulties that he apprehended would arise, and be forced upon the attention of the House when the bill would come back from the Senate. While he did not feel disposed, and did not feel competent to discuss any special Indian policy at this time, he was of opinion that the new administration of the Government, in which the people had unbounded confidence, should be left untrammeled by legislation to develop its own policy in reference to the Indians.

The Clerk proceeded to read the bill by paragraphs for amendment.

The whole question of the Indian policy of the Government was opened up by an amendment offered by Mr. WOOD to reduce an appropriation to the Arickare, Gros Ventres and Mandans; and the discussion was participated in by Messrs. WOOD, BECK, AXTELL, DAWES, LAWRENCE, MAYNARD, JULIAN, BENJAMIN and other members.

Mr. WOOD denounced the system of making treaties with Indians as a fraud on the Treasury and an injury to the Indians, and declared that appropriations had been made for Indian tribes which had no existence.

Mr. LAWRENCE, a member of the Committee on Appropriations, characterized the whole Indian Bureau as utterly rotten and as a den of thieves. The only question for the House was whether it would root out that den of thieves and save the people from the plunder and robbery that was going on under cover of the treaty-making power, or whether it would surrender the legislative power to the treaty-making power. He denied that there was any such thing as an Indian treaty. There were contracts made with various Indian tribes, but treaties were conventions between sovereign nations, and it was a farce to apply such a term to tribes of wandering savages.

Mr. MAYNARD asked when Mr. LAWRENCE thought the time had arrived that Indians ceased to be a Power to make treaty with.

Mr. LAWRENCE replied that the Indians had never ceased to be a nation with which treaties could be made, because it never had been such a nation. It was not till within the last four years that the treaty-making power had ever assumed that it was independent of legislation, and that it could sell and buy public lands through treaties with Indian tribes. He was in favor of leaving the whole question of the Indians to the new Administration.

Mr. JULIAN remarked that General GRANT had intimated his intention of placing the Indians under the control of the sect of Quakers, and that he had told him, (JULIAN,) expressly, that he was opposed to every form of taking the lands of the United States and giving them to corporations, either through Indian treaties or any other way.

Mr. LAWRENCE—Thank God for General GRANT and his policy. Treaties have been put through the Senate when there were not six Senators present. Every man who participated in a fraud of that sort is unfit to occupy a seat in any deliberative body. I wish to God I could reach the Senate, and the ears of every man in the country, until the Senate should be compelled to pay some heed to the voice of the people, and to have some respect for the interests of the people, instead of squandering the people's money.

Mr. NEGLEY inquired of the Chair whether it was parliamentary to apply such language to the Senate?

The CHAIRMAN—(Mr. JUDD)—As the Chair understood it, it was rather broad, and the Chair suggests to the gentleman from Ohio, (Mr. LAWRENCE,) that in referring to a coördinate branch of Legislature, he should be a little more careful and choice in his language.

Mr. LAWRENCE—Yes. I shall be more careful. I could go a good deal further than that, and say things a good deal worse, and yet keep within the bounds of truth. (Laughter.)

After further discussion the amendment offered by Mr. WOOD was rejected, and the clerk proceeded with the reading of the bill, which was occasionally interrupted by the offering of amendments, which brought up the same general question for discussion.

At 1:15 o'clock the Committee rose and reported the bill to the House, and it was thereupon passed.

THE PARAGUAY OUTRAGE.

Mr. JUDD, from the Committee on Foreign Affairs, reported a resolution instructing that Committee to inquire into all the circumstances relating to the alleged imprisonment of Messrs. BLISS and MASTERMAN in Paraguay, and into the conduct of the late American Minister in Paraguay, and of the officers commanding the South Atlantic Squadron, with power to send for persons and papers, and to report at any time.

The Speaker presented a communication from the Governor of Massachusetts, with the action of the Massachusetts Legislature ratifying the fifteenth article of the amendment to the Constitution.

The House then, at 4:20, adjourned until Monday.

TELEGRAMS.

Armed Resistance to the Conscription in Spain.

Serious Engagement Between Troops and Citizens in Andalusia.

The Insurgents Defeated and Six Hundred Captured.

Wanton Destruction of Property by the Cuban Revolutionists.

SPAIN.

Continued Conscriptive Hostilities—Appearance of a Carlist Leader.

MADRID, Friday, March 19.

The troubles in Andalusia still continue. At Jerez de la Frontera the opposition to the military conscription culminated in a battle between the insurgents and troops. The engagement was of short duration but was very fierce.

The insurgents were defeated and routed. Six hundred of them were taken prisoners. MERAMON, at the head of 900 Carlists, had appeared at Patema, in the mountains, near Almeria.

Troops have been dispatched to that neighborhood.

CUBA.

Disaster at Sea—Depredations by the Insurgents—Arrival of Spanish Troops—Continuance of Hostilities.

HAVANA, Friday, March 19.

On Thursday the English bark *Lochee*, laden with coal from Troon, Scotland, went ashore at Cojemar. The amount of damage is not stated.

The insurgents have burned five of the largest plantations in the jurisdiction of Sagua la Chica—one near Cienfuegos and another near Maeagua.

It is positively asserted that the insurgent Generals are carrying out their deferred plan of burning everywhere.

A detachment of insurgents had left Alvarez, well mounted, to burn the plantations in the vicinity of Jabacoa. The planters are terrified.

Authentic information from insurgents admit that many plantations have been burned within a week.

Another steamer has arrived from Spain with troops. General BUCETA and the famous General AMABLE ESCALANTE were passengers. The troops have gone to Nuevitas.

An engagement took place between the troops and insurgents yesterday, near Alvarez. The insurgents were routed, and, dividing, one force fled toward Macagua, and the other toward Jocuri Grande.

An engagement has taken place at Guaracabulla. The official account reports 136 insurgents killed, and only one Spanish soldier wounded.

The insurgents are active near Bolondron. Troops from Matanzas have gone there.

When the battle of Sicia Cabita was fought QUESADA was sick with the small-pox. ORTEGA commanded.

The insurgents are carrying off the slaves from the plantations, and making them soldiers.

The number of insurgents in the Sagua and Remedios Districts is estimated at from 7,000 to 9,000.

The Esquerra plantations, near Trinidad, have been burnt. The five places burnt in the Sagua District produced 9,000 hogsheads of sugar yearly.

The insurgents have destroyed the railroad and telegraph between Alvarez and Macagua.

Order is being restored in the district of Santo Espiritu. General PUELLO is moving toward Puerto Principe. The situation at Cienfuegos is unchanged.

The disturbed condition of the surrounding country prevents sugars from reaching Cienfuegos, Trinidad, Remedios and other markets. It is generally estimated that the sugar crop this year will fall short by three-eighths that of last year. Sugars at the outports are firmer.

There are rumors of an engagement near Holguin, but nothing definite is known of the affair.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The American Ocean Mail Service.

LONDON, Friday, March 19.

The National Steamship Company have made an offer to the Post Office Department to carry the mails between Great Britain and the United States for one penny per ounce. It is objected, however, that the steamers of this line are too slow.

QUEENSTOWN, Friday, March 19.

The Inman steamship *City of Antwerp*, Captain MIREHOUSE, from Liverpool, March 17, for New-York, put into this port to-day with her main shaft broken.

GERMANY.

A New Polar Expedition.

BERLIN, Friday, March 19.

Dr. PETERMANN is preparing to send out a new polar expedition, which will sail in June.

AUSTRIA.

A Modification of the Press Law.

VIENNA, Friday, March 19.

A Royal decree has just been published establishing trial by jury for offences against the Press law.

ISTHMUS OF SUEZ.

Communication Opened with the Mediterranean.

ALEXANDRIA, Friday, March 19.

The waters of the Mediterranean have been successfully admitted into the Bitter Lakes through the Suez Canal.

JAPAN.

Termination of the Civil War.

YOKOHAMA, Saturday, Feb. 13, } VIA LONDON, Friday, March 19. }

The Foreign Ministers have announced the termination of the civil war in Japan, and withdrawn their proclamations of neutrality.

SOUTH AMERICA.

President Lopez Again Assuming the Offensive.

PARIS, Friday, March 19.

Later advices have been received from Rio Janeiro. The war news was unimportant. President LOPEZ had collected an army of 4,000 Paraguayans, and was fortifying Grasse, a town in the interior.

Antagonism to Annexation in New-Brunswick.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Friday, March 19.

Mr. CUDLY'S action in moving the annexation resolution is unanimously condemned. It appears that the House refused to allow even a notice of the resolution to appear on the Clerk's book.

Navigation is open in the upper part of the Bay of Fundy. The steamer *Conqueror* leaves for Windsor to-morrow.

Fatal Accident on the Dutchess and Columbia Railroad.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Friday, March 19.

A construction car, filled with laborers, ran off the track on the Dutchess and Columbia Railroad near the Glenham Woolen Mills this morning, killing one and badly injuring seven others. The following is a list of the casualties:

Killed—William McKnight, unmarried, 35 years of age.

Severely Injured—John Kinlin, both thighs and a leg broken and right shoulder broke; Michael Dewine, jaw broke and severe scalp wound; John Kennedy, arm broke; Michael Dowd, injured badly; Hugh McAvery, severe scalp wound; Benjamin Arell, neck and hip injured; John Murphy, shoulder and leg badly hurt.

The body of MCKNIGHT was taken to Fishkill. The cause of the accident has not yet been definitely ascertained, though it appears that the car was being backed up to Fishkill by the locomotive Foronda for gravel. Both the engineer and fireman escaped uninjured.

MEXICO.

Stagnation in Business—General Lozada Hiring the Indians—War Supplies Expected by the Insurgents.

SAN FRANCISCO, Friday, March 19.

Mazatlan advices to March 8 have been received by steamer.

The United States steamer *Resaca* was in port.

Trade was languishing, and the future prospects are discouraging. The steamer brings $207,000 in treasure from Mexico.

Colonel PELACACOS, who was one of MARTINEZ'S principal officers, and started the revolution against Governor RUBI, with nineteen other criminals, had escaped from the Mazatlan Prison.

Information from Tepic states that General LOZADA was placing his army of Indians on a war footing.

The rumor that General PLACIDO VEGA sailed from San Francisco with arms and ammunition and is expected to land somewhere on the coast, created considerable excitement at Mazatlan.

The Customs authorities of Mazatlan seized an American vessel, and attempted to extort export duties on a cargo of dye-woods. The vessel was only released on the bond of the American Consul that such duties should be paid, if according to law.

Proceedings of the Georgia Legislature.

ATLANTA, Ga., Friday, March 19.

Both Houses of the Legislature adjourned *sine die* last night. Yesterday a motion was made in the Senate authorizing the Sheriff of any county to call on the Government for United States troops to assist the Sheriff whenever deemed necessary.

Mr. HUNGERFORD, a Republican, thought the resolution unnecessary, and moved to lay it on the table. The motion was sustained. On a motion to reconsider the ind

SPAIN AND PERU.

The Recent Hostilities Between Spain and the Allied Republics—The Peruvian Monitors—Official Correspondence Between Mr. Seward and the Peruvian Minister.

The following correspondence between Mr. SEWARD, while Secretary of State, and the Peruvian Minister, relative to the recent war on the Pacific coast and the purchase of vessels of war in this country, will be found highly interesting.

MR. GARCIA Y GARCIA TO MR. SEWARD.

LEGATION OF PERU, NEW-YORK, April 14, 1868.

SIR: The war which the allied Republics of the Pacific saw themselves compelled to declare against the Government of Spain has assumed a character which can only be qualified, with propriety, as an imperfect peace. The active hostilities which terminated on the 2d of May, 1866, have been succeeded by a period of real tranquillity, during which the opposing parties in the conflict, far from renewing acts of force, have visibly modified their policy and removed serious obstacles in the way of reconciliation. This is the historical period of conquests between Spain and America. The capitulation of Ayacucho, signed in Peru on the 9th of December, 1824, was the starting point of forty years of imperfect peace, imperfect in form, although real in feeling and in the practice of mutual relations. The 2d of May, 1866, likewise appears to be called to mark one of these characteristic terms, since it has been followed by two years of quiet, which, if they do not express a covenanted cessation of hostilities, may at least be considered as years of reflection and oblivion.

The United States, in common with all other nations of the world, of their own free will, deemed themselves released from all obligations of neutrality during the *de facto* peace which ensued after the war of independence between the new American Republics and their mother country, and entered fully with all of them into the relations of a state of peace, in obedience to a sound principle of common justice, and to the requirements of those great interests of the commerce and industry of the world, which cannot tolerate indefinite wars. It would have been better had no other occasion presented itself for the practice of this principle of positive consuetudinal right, for this would have proved there had been no renewal of those unfortunate causes of war which make its application indispensable. But the truth is, this has occurred, and it becomes the duty of the Government of the United States to renew the declaration of that doctrine which has already been taken into consideration by the Federal Congress, in a resolution now before the House of Representatives, and which essentially declares this principle.

It is publicly known that in January last the belligerent Governments of Chili and Spain, through their diplomatic agents at the Court of London, conjointly asked permission of Her Majesty's Government to remove beyond the jurisdiction of the United Kingdom armed vessels destined for the military service of both. It is also known in a reliable manner that Lord STANLEY, after mature deliberation and having consulted with the Crown Attorneys, who expressed the opinion that there was nothing in the case in violation of the principles, nor contrary to the precedents of that Government in matters of neutrality, granted their petition notwithstanding a protest presented by the Peruvian Minister who did not deem it his duty to assent to an arrangement for which he had no authority.

This incident, which I recall not as an example of authority, but on account of the grounds which it presents for action by Spain and Chili, but also to the policy of the British Cabinet, amply justifies the clear and essential purpose of this communication, since it distinctly manifests that by express agreement, nay more, that by accomplished public official acts, a step has been put to the state of war; that the diplomatic act concluded in London office of a foreign Government has expressly abrogated as the limitations imposed on non-belligerent States by the duties of neutrality; and finally, that the state of war having in this way ceased, all other Governments have, although a formal peace may not have been celebrated, the right to restore to the allied Republics and to Spain the liberty of doing within their territories all such things as are lawful in the normal condition of international affairs, and for other purposes than for those of that interrupted war.

With these antecedents, which I doubt not will be accepted by your Excellency as exact and conclusive, I take the liberty of asking your Excellency to be pleased to inform me if, in consequence of the indefinite character which the war between the allied Republics and Spain has assumed, your Government considers itself, with respect to said nations, in the same relations as in a state of peace, and if they may, consequently, once again enter into free and unrestricted commerce with the United States, without offence to their laws, which Peru with the other Republics have ever observed and still propose to respect; or if you shall deem it your duty to maintain the position of a neutral, whatever time may elapse before a treaty of peace is made by the Pacific.

In view of the considerations which I have had the honor of submitting in this dispatch, I incline to believe that there can be no difficulty in your Excellency's Government arriving at a resolution in the former sense, for it would be but in conformity with its previous conduct, and would at once be accepted by Spain, who having made herself responsible for the acts of war, and having at this moment occupied the fitting ironclad vessels in the ship-yards of other nations, could not object to it without offence to her own character, not without presenting her own conduct in flagrant contradiction.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to your Excellency the assurances of my distinguished consideration.

(Signed) J. A. GARCIA Y GARCIA.

To His Excellency WILLIAM H. SEWARD, Secretary of State of the U. S. A., Washington.

MR. SEWARD TO MR. GARCIA Y GARCIA.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON, April 20, 1868.

The undersigned, Secretary of State of the United States, has the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a note, which bears date on the 14th inst., from Mr. J. A. GARCIA Y GARCIA, Minister Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Peru, near this Government.

In that note Mr. GARCIA expresses an opinion that the war which four allied Republics of the Pacific coast heretofore declared against Spain, has at last assumed a character of imperfect peace.

In support of this position Mr. GARCIA observes that active hostilities between the belligerents ceased on the 2d of May, 1866, and they have not been renewed since that day. Mr. GARCIA further states that it is publicly known that in January last the belligerent Governments of Chili and Spain, through their diplomatic agents in London, jointly asked permission of Her Majesty's Government to remove beyond British jurisdiction armed vessels for the military service of both. Mr. GARCIA further mentions that it is also reliably known that Lord STANLEY, after mature deliberation and having consulted with the Crown Attorneys, granted the petition of those Ministers, notwithstanding a protest was presented by the Peruvian Minister, who did not deem it his duty to assent to an arrangement for which he had no authority.

Upon these grounds Mr. GARCIA, in the name of Peru, one of the belligerent Republics, asks that the Government of the United States will now feel itself at liberty to make a declaration to the effect that a state of war is no longer recognized as existing between the Republics of Peru, Chili, Ecuador and Bolivia, on the one part, and Spain on the other.

The undersigned has the honor to reply that the Government of the United States has no official or authentic information of the proceedings to which Mr. GARCIA refers as having taken place at London.

This Government is, on the other hand, well advised that Spain continues to assert in a collateral correspondence with the United States of Colombia the continued existence of a state of war between herself and the heretofore allied belligerent Republics.

So far as is known to this Government, no transaction has recently occurred within the United States by which occasion has been given to this Government to make an authoritative declaration upon the question which Mr. GARCIA now submits, namely, whether the state of war between the belligerents ought to be deemed as still continuing, or whether by the intermission of mutual hostilities it is to be deemed as having come to an end.

Any declaration which this Government might make, under present circumstances, upon that question would be unnecessary and gratuitous, and it might ultimately prove to have been prematurely and erroneously made. The United States, constantly desirous for the establishment of perfect peace and friendly relations between the belligerents, can entertain no question presented by one belligerent without giving a hearing upon the same question to the other belligerent parties. For this reason the undersigned will think it proper to furnish a copy of this note to the Spanish Government, and also to the Governments of Ecuador and Chili.

The undersigned avails himself of the occasion to offer to Mr. GARCIA a renewed assurance of his high consideration.

(Signed) WILLIAM H. SEWARD.

To Sr. J. A. GARCIA Y GARCIA, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary from Peru.

MR. GARCIA Y GARCIA TO MR. SEWARD.

LEGATION OF PERU, CLARENDON HOTEL, NEW-YORK, May 8, 1868.

SIR: I have had the honor of receiving your Excellency's note bearing date 20th ult., in which you are pleased to reply to my communication of 14th of same month, stating that any declaration your Government might make under present circumstances, upon the question of neutrality, would be unnecessary and gratuitous, and might ultimately prove to have been prematurely and erroneously made.

Referring to some of the considerations submitted by me, your Excellency bases your conclusions upon the ground that the Government of the United States has no official or authentic information of the proceedings made in London between Spain and Chili for the removal of armed vessels of both nations, while on the other hand your Government knows that Spain continues to assert in a correspondence with the United States of Colombia, the existence of a state of war between herself and the allied Republics. Your Excellency also adds that no transaction has recently occurred within the United States, giving occasion to your Government to make an authoritative declaration as to whether such State of war ought to be deemed as still continuing, or whether, by the intermission of hostilities, it is to be deemed as having come to an end.

Although the object of my communication of the 14th ultimo is evident, your Excellency will permit me to explain it fully. Peru having, as your Excellency knows, interests of great value on her coasts and islands to watch over and protect, was desirous of obtaining some vessels of war, with which to augment her standing squadron, without special reference to the interruption in her relations with Spain, and for that purpose found a very favorable occasion in the public offer by the Secretary of the Navy of this country for the sale of a large number of vessels. That a formal state of war no longer exists between the allied Republics and Spain, but, on the contrary, a condition of imperfect peace has been expressly recognized by other nations, which, in their relations with them, have resumed the normal condition of affairs; and this proof would have been enough to persuade Peru that she might freely equip and remove from beyond the jurisdiction of this country, such vessels as she may have engaged, had the profound respect she has ever paid to the laws of other nations, and the particular friendship and high consideration she entertains for the United States not impelled her to seek from your Excellency a declaration deliberately and explicitly releasing yourself from all obligations of a neutrality inconsistent with the existing state of affairs, before carrying into effect her intentions of sending to Peru vessels which she has acquired, and which she will certainly defer doing until the declaration asked for shall have been made, or the consent of the Government of the United States been given. Such is her firm resolution with due regard to the position assumed by the United States, whose strict neutrality commenced twenty months prior to the formal declaration of war and is still continued two years after the cessation of hostilities. In the years 1865 and 1866, Peru obtained in France and England, with the knowledge of their respective Governments, the vessels which she sent for to the United States, but whose neutrality would not permit her to secure, and in 1868, Chili and Spain have obtained like benefits, undoubtedly because the present situation has been deemed identical with the former.

The example, which I had the pleasure of recalling to your Excellency's mind, of the conduct observed by the United States and other Powers subsequent to the war of independence between Spain and the new American Republics, which is so analogous to the events of the present time, and its significance so great, that the necessity of putting an immediate stop to the obligations of neutrality, in consonance with the *de facto* cessation of war, can only be ignored by condemning the five nations involved in the Pacific difficulties, and the United States to which they are bound by the ties of commerce and industry, to all the restrictions of a state of war which does not exist, and for an indefinite period, which an unhappy precedent might prolong to another forty years. When the new American Republics triumphed over their adversary, obliging her to abandon the continent of America, in 1824 and 1826, not only were they recognized by the United States, Great Britain and other nations, but they at once found all markets open to them for the purchase of vessels, armaments, and whatever else they needed, notwithstanding they had made no treaty with Spain, and in spite of the latter's persisting in declaring as natural her right to reconquer her lost colonies. The policy which inspired such a course was prudent, humanizing and productive of great good to civilization, and it is today demanded by the same great interests, suffering from a similar state of affairs.

Differing from the past, there now exists in support of this opinion, the agreement made in London between Spain and Chili, for the removal of their war vessels, which clearly and of right annuls the state of war. Your Excellency has, nevertheless, not taken that significant event into serious consideration, because, as you are pleased to say, it is not known to your Government in an official or authentic manner. A fact so notorious, the publicity of which commenced in the British Parliament, and which has been repeated by the Press throughout the world, would of itself place beyond doubt the truth of its existence; but your Excellency has in the United States Legation at London, the sure means of acquiring that information, which may also be obtained from the representatives of Spain and Chili in Washington, and of the truth of which I now formally assure your Excellency. I permit myself to insist on this point as it shows that the wishes of my Government are in strict conformity with the conduct of Chili and Spain, and that is due to justice to acknowledge that in seeking to increase their respective navies, which during the past four years have suffered considerably, all are yielding to the same peaceful inspirations and to the same motives of convenience, and the requirements of their home service. It would not be just to deem an act of Peru reprehensible, which has a precedent in the doings of the other two ought to be when they declare that what they do is in the exercise of a perfect right. The acts being identical, it is in the nature of things to qualify them alike; it cannot be wrong for Peru to acquire vessels in the United States, and right and praiseworthy for Spain and Chili to obtain them in England.

The fact of Spain's continuing to assert in a collateral correspondence with the United States of Colombia, the existence of a state of war, cannot be a reason to guide the Government of the United States in its resolutions. That fact, if it proves anything, shows an open contradiction in the conduct of Spain. To ask from the British Government, conjointly with one of the Republics allied against her, permission to remove armed vessels, allowable by international law only in time of peace, and to assure another Government in furtherance of different interests, that a state of war still exists, your Excellency will permit me to say is, at least, not logical. Moreover, a state of war cannot be maintained by mere written declarations. Should so absurd a doctrine be recognized, smaller Powers unable to carry on an effective war against strong nations, or the latter, should they wish not to waste their time and means in fighting weaker countries, would prefer to carry on a paper war, as being both easier and cheaper than those which are settled by war, which has more disastrous to the commerce and industry of the world. For the simple act of hostility termed a blockade, the law of nations requires the employment of an effective force sufficient to keep the ports closed. With how much more reason, then, should it be claimed as but just, and demanded by common sense and the requirements of other countries, whose interests suffer so greatly by the ravages of international wars, that all hostilities should also be effective so that they may be brought to a speedy termination, and not mere written manifestations which would make wars all the more lasting and disastrous, according to the obstinacy of the belligerents or of the one who had the least to lose in the struggle.

Nor is the London agreement the only act which proves the cessation of a state of war. The acknowledgment of such cessation is also found in public official acts done in the United States by the agents of Spain, acquiesced in by the national authorities, and not objected to by the allied Republics. The Spanish war vessel *Gerona* arrived in this port in the beginning of the present month, and after exchanging salutes with the forts of this harbor, took out her guns, entered a dock, repaired her bottom, painted her hull, and examined her machinery, &c. The iron-clad *Tetuan* is now *en route* for this port for like repairs. A manufacturer in the State of New-York is manufacturing arms for Spain, and is to-day preparing 40,000 of BERDAN'S rifles for the military service of that nation. None of these acts would be lawful if it were deemed that a state of war exists. When the Spanish frigates *Carmen* and *Isabel la Catolica* arrived at this port for repairs, early in 1866, I announced to your Excellency in compliance with my duty, that war had broken out between the allied Republics and Spain, and solicited from you a declaration of neutrality. Your Excellency was pleased to make such declaration, and the above-mentioned vessels left New-York without doing that for which they came, notwithstanding the statement published in the newspapers at the time, and which still exists here, that the free use of the Brooklyn Navy Yard had been tendered to them. But now the allies have neither protested, nor has the Government of the United States of its own motion prevented an act which international law forbids a belligerent's doing within neutral territory. Thus perfectly have all coincided in their estimate of the actual condition of things, and which it would be necessary to invest with charters if it does not possess to qualify in any other way than that of an imperfect peace.

If, for want of any preceding act, the Government of your Excellency has hitherto found no occasion for the declaration which I asked for, as to the suspension of neutrality, the present offers one worthy of all consideration. It will serve not to define past occurrences, but to authorize future doings, permitting Peru to equip and remove from within the jurisdiction of this Republic, for her service, two vessels which she will otherwise keep in your waters until she can lawfully send them away without offence to your laws. Peru has no intention of changing the existing condition of affairs in her relations with Spain by renewing hostilities to which she may not be directly provoked; and much less does she propose to attack or invade the colonies of that nation. In completing her fortifications on land and her naval defences, she has no special view as to the war with Spain, nor any other Power. Taught by the events of the past, she merely wishes to supply herself with all the means which a nation should possess at the present time, in order to make her autonomy and her rights respected as an independent nation, against any unjust aggressor who may attempt to attack them. In this manner, and with the same will, she can assure that peace, both internal and external, which is the chief object of her aspirations.

These declaration, which your Excellency should accept upon the faith of my Government, furnish the most ample security as to the use which it proposes to make of the military elements it now possesses within its own territory, and of those it has subsequently sought within and other countries. If, in order to accede to the request which I have thus expressed, it should be necessary to give you a positive promise that the vessels which leave the United States will go direct to Peru, without attacking or in any way molesting those of other nations, without any exception whatever, and without injuring or threatening their possessions, I therewith pledge the honor of the Government of Peru to that of the United States.

I avail myself with great satisfaction of this opportunity to renew to your Excellency the assurances of the high respect and esteem with which I subscribe myself your Excellency's most obedient servant,

(Signed) J. A. GARCIA Y GARCIA.

To His Excellency WILLIAM H. SEWARD, Secretary of the United States of America, Washington.

MR. SEWARD TO MR. GARCIA Y GARCIA.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON, May 18, 1868.

SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 8th inst., in reference to the question of the intermission of hostilities existing at the present time between the allied Republics of the Pacific and Spain.

I shall be pleased to give it that attention which its importance merits.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew the assurance of my high consideration.

(Signed) WILLIAM H. SEWARD.

To Senor J. A. GARCIA Y. GARCIA, Minister Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary from Peru.

MR. GARCIA Y GARCIA TO MR. SEWARD.

LEGATION OF PERU—CLARENDON HOTEL, NEW-YORK, 28th July, 1868.

SIR: Complying with your Excellency's desire, it affords me pleasure to resume in this communication the subject of which we treated in our interview of the 10th inst., and for this purpose to submit to your Excellency's impartial judgment a few more consideration which I deem it not amiss to recall to your mind, in view of the importance of the matter which has occasioned this correspondence.

I had the honor to inform your Excellency, in my note of the 8th of May last, that Peru had purchased two monitors in this Republic, and that in the exercise of what, in the actual condition of her international relations, she deems a perfect right, and with the consent of your Excellency's Government, she proposes to send those vessels to the Pacific. Pending the receipt of a definite answer to that communication from the Department of State, I have received especial instructions to carry the aforesaid purpose into effect, the favorable season for the navigation of those vessels being close at hand, and for that purpose, as I explained to your Excellency at the interview already referred to, to solicit the previous and explicit consent of the United States Government, which is now free to grant such permission, inasmuch as all obligations of neutrality have ceased with the interruption or cessation of hostilities in the war on the Pacific.

The only cause which could now in any way abridge the right of Peru freely to procure naval armaments, in this or any other country, would be the existence of an effective state of war, identical to that in which said Republic and Spain were placed by the official declaration made at Lima on the 14th January, 1866, and which terminated on the 2d of May of the same year, with the signal victory of the Peruvian arms which compelled the naval forces of Spain not only to abandon the Pacific Ocean, but also to desist from every military operation or any subsequent act of hostility against the nations allied for the common defence. That situation has remained unchanged for the last two and a half years, and so notable a circumstance would, of itself, suffice to prove that at present a state of war exists but nominally, and that all other nations are therefore authorized to consider it as terminated, so long as the belligerents do not renew by positive and effective acts of war, were there not in addition thereto innumerable other acts of deep significance, performed indiscriminately by the various parties engaged in the quarrel, and even by other nations having relations with them, to confirm in an irrefutable manner the truth of that situation.

Your Excellency will recollect that on the defeat of the Spanish squadron in the waters of Callao, they at first sought neutral ports, and then those of their own country, in various divisions and distinct routes, to repair the disasters of that engagement. Two and a half years should have sufficed for that purpose, or to send a new expedition to carry on the campaign, had the Spanish Government, taught by its recent experience, not formed the deliberate intention of considering as terminated, by that deed of arms, all the unhappy projects which had sent its flag to South America. The complete inactivity maintained by Spain since that moment; the unequivocal evidence which she has on different occasions given of her desire to settle her differences with the allied Republics by means of treaties rather than by arms; her abdication of the rules of war, of which I have spoken to your Excellency in previous dispatches, by entering into an agreement at London with one of her adversaries for the removal of armed vessels of both nations from British shipyards; the use which she officially asked and obtained, of both private and naval docks and shipyards in the United States, in which to repair the frigate *Gerona* and the iron-clad *Tetuan*, restoring their offensive powers and consequently unfitting them for the services and fatigues of a campaign,—acts in open contradiction to the principles of international law, and which your Excellency's Government would certainly not have permitted had Spain recognized the existence of an effectual state of war between herself and the Allies of the Pacific; and, finally, the respect paid by Spain's vessels of war at present stationed on the coasts of Colombia to the flag of one of the allied Republics under which two sailing vessels are now not only passing them almost daily, but on one occasion, while engaged in matters of commerce, received assistance from the said Spanish steamers, having been towed by them: all these confirm the belief that in abandoning active hostilities, Spain, who was the aggressor, has renounced the rights of an effectual state of war, and consequently relieved all other nations from the obligations of a neutrality which, under existing circumstances, is purposeless.

That the allied Republics, comprehending the position in which Spain was placed by the battles and obstacles she encountered in the Pacific, have accepted her withdrawal, and the attitude that is presently maintained by her, as an implicit desistance from war, is confirmed by numerous acts. To them the situation is plain; war exists in principle, and so long as a solemn treaty of peace is not entered into, may be renewed at any moment; but *de facto* it has ceased, and all of them respect the actual condition of affairs, in consideration of their true interests, and of the upright intentions which animate them. Thus, Chili entered into the agreement at London, already commented on by me, took out two iron-clad corvettes in May last, and is now building a monitor at the same place. The President of that Republic, in his message to the National Congress, states that the extraordinary powers conferred upon him to carry on the war with Spain are no longer necessary, and asks that they be annulled, inasmuch as that war has ceased in fact, and there is no reason to fear its renewal. Animated by the same conviction, that Government will be the first to have disarmed the allied nation, and both countries have suppressed the Command in General and the naval divisions of a state of war, and their vessels have returned to their ordinary stations. Nothing of this would have occurred, especially when it would have been so easy for them with their iron-clads to attack and destroy the wooden vessels which Spain has at the Philippines and on the eastern coast of South America, as also to prey upon Spanish commerce by means of privateers, nor would the return of the exiled Spaniards to the territory of those Republics have been allowed, had the actual conditions of affairs been otherwise considered by them, and were they not animated with the sincere desire to alter it in no way on their part, unless provoked thereto by new aggressions, or unless unhappy causes should occur to render it unavoidable.

The situation created by the nature and incidents of the war, and by the temporary difficulties which have arisen, has therefore undoubtedly, by which to arrive at a solution of this question, constitutes an anomalous state, which in principle is evidently one of war for the belligerents, although it be in fact an uncovenanted truce or a *de facto* peace, which they alone have the right to change into a new war by the simple renewal of hostilities, and prior notification thereof; but so long as this does not take place, all authorities in view of nations formerly at war with other States, in view of the existing order of affairs, full liberty to exercise all those rights which are abridged or limited by an actual war. HAUTEFEUILLE'S opinion, by its precision and truth, is decisive on this point: "The duties—he says—imposed on neutral nations by a state of war refer expressly and essentially to that state. Whenever, for any reason, this cease, although it be but temporarily, the duties of neutrals likewise cease, and peace, so far as they are concerned, is perfectly reëstablished during the suspension of arms. Then they recover all rights which had been modified by war, and may exercise them during the term fixed for the duration of the truce, if such term has been fixed by agreement, until the renewal of hostilities shall have been officially notified to them, if the suspension of arms has been indefinite."

On the other hand, the celebration of treaties is not an essential condition of peace. War may terminate by the mere suspensions of all acts of force, and this offers to neutrals the same guarantees, and assures to them the same rights which they could derive from the stipulations of an express covenant. PINHEIRO-FERREIRA, although he does not elucidate this doctrine, recognizes it in these words: "It is seldom that war terminates with the mere cessation of hostilities. There is ordinarily a covenant, more or less express, which constitutes the treaty of peace." HEFFTER, a very respectable authority among writers of international law, sets forth this doctrine: "that belligerents are not obliged to put an end to hostilities by means of formal conventions, although custom and expediency may recommend such proceeding," and he adds, "they may, on the contrary, by a sort of tacit agreement suspend hostilities and reëstablish reciprocal relations of friendship, in which case no third power is allowed to act as if hostilities were continued. The *statu quo* accepted by the belligerents on the suspension of hostilities, will naturally be the point of departure, as a basis for the reëstablishment of the relations of peace."

This opinion is corroborated by the example given by VON STECK, of the war between Sweden and Poland, which terminated *de facto* with the cessation of hostilities in 1716, although the *de jure* restoration of peace was not recognized until forty years later, by letters mutually exchanged between the Sovereigns of both countries. The prolonged and bloody struggles between Spain and the new American Republics, although decided on many a battle-field between 1809 and 1826, have only been slowly and gradually settled by written treaties during the course of forty years, later two of said Republics are this day, after the expiration of half a century, still in a state of *de facto* or imperfect peace, never having settled by treaty the conditions of their relations with the mother country. The war entered into under the name of Italian unity, between that kingdom and the Pontifical States, in which the former, by force of arms, took possession of some important provinces of the Holy See, has, notwithstanding the lapse of years, never been brought to a close by any treaty between the Sovereigns of the two nations; the ravages of the invasion ceased by means of treaties celebrated with a third Power clothed with the protectorate of those States. Lastly, the invasion of Mexico by the joint armies of England, Spain and France, and the persistent intervention of the latter in the internal affairs of that Republic, present the most decisive example, in confirmation of the principle which I have laid before your Excellency. Those doings gave rise to a formal and positive state of war between Mexico and the three nations aforementioned, which was recognized by the United States as well as by other impartial Governments, and which imposed upon them the duties consequent to such a situation. The contest terminated by the withdrawal of some of the invaders and the expulsion of the others; no treaty has been celebrated between the late belligerents; the interruption of all official intercourse between them still exists; and, notwithstanding this, the war is considered as *de facto* terminated, and all obstacles, political, commercial and otherwise, incident to that abnormal state of affairs, have been voluntarily removed by the United States, as also by all other nations similarly situated.

The actual state of affairs when notoriously established, is the only rule by which, in view of a strife between two or more nations, can be given the position which of right belongs to non-belligerent Powers; it is the only possible guide, the only legitimate one, when treating of so sad and disastrous an event as war. Those belligerents, which from impotency, exhaustion, or for any other reason, cannot or do not wish to continue active hostilities, have no right to impose upon other nations, to the injury of their interests, the restrictions and burdens of a situation which they themselves have abandoned. The contrary doctrine would give a nominal or paper war, so far as neutrals were concerned, all the rigors of a struggle in which victory is purchased with the blood of the belligerents. But, fortunately, this is not the case. Common reason, the law of nations and the practice of all enlightened Governments have marked out a very clear line of conduct for neutrals. Whenever a political or military act is evident, they have the right to proclaim it so, and to act accordingly; the rule of their action depends, therefore, upon the doings or on the attitude of the belligerents. To recognize a fact is but to declare the truth as it exists, and this is not only a right but an imperative duty, which, on the other hand, cannot in the least affect the position nor the rights of the disagreeing parties.

The annals of diplomacy furnish striking examples which by analogy completely illustrate the present case. Queen ELIZABETH recognized the independence of the Netherlands who revolted against Spain in the sixteenth century, and England entered into a treaty in 1585 with the "United Provinces" in spite of the protests of Spain, upon the ground, aside from the reason of convenience, that the independence of said Provinces was an accomplished fact. In answer to the representations made by England against the recognition of the independence of the United States by France, the latter, among other considerations, stated: "That her declaration to the Court of London, dated the 6th of March, 1778, concerning that recognition was based on the unanswerable fact that the Americans were in possession of their independence, when the treaties of alliance and commerce were concluded on the 6th of February, 1778, and that, according to the equally unanswerable doctrines of public law, that fact established the basis of the declaration, but also it proved, and that they had maintained it against all the efforts of England; and such was the position of the United States when the King negotiated with them."

Speaking of the desolating and unfruitful war maintained by Spain against her former colonies in America, and initiating the recognition of their sovereignty, the President, JAMES MONROE, in a special message to the Congress of the United States, dated 8th of March, 1822, said as follows: "* * * * * For the last three years the Government of Spain has not sent a corps of troops to any part of that country, nor is there any reason to believe it will send any to it in future. Thus, it is manifest that all those provinces are not only in the full enjoyment of their independence, but, considering the state of the war and other circumstances, that there is not the most remote prospect of their being deprived of it." * * * * * "When we regard then, the great length of time which this war has been prosecuted, the complete success which has attended it in favor of the provinces, the present condition of the parties, and the utter inability of Spain to produce any change in it, we are compelled to conclude that its fate is settled, and that the provinces which have declared their independence, and are in the enjoyment of it, ought to be recognized." * * * * * In proposing this measure, it is not contemplated to change thereby, in the slightest manner, our friendly relations with either of the parties, but to observe in all respects as heretofore, should the war be continued, the most perfect neutrality between them." * * * "The measure is proposed under a thorough conviction that it is in strict accord with the law of nations; that it is just and right to the parties, and that the United States owe it to their station and character in the world, as well as to their essential interests, to adopt it."

The Committee of Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives through Mr. RUSSELL, presented to that same Congress on the 19th of March, a very luminous report, which, among other doctrines, contained the following: "The political right of this nation (U. S.) to acknowledge their independence without offending others, does not depend on its actual establishment. To justify such a recognition by us, it is necessary only to show, as is already sufficiently shown, that the people of Spanish America are, within their respective limits, exclusively sovereign; and thus in fact independent." * * * "Whatever may be the policy of Spain, however, in respect to her former American Colonies, our recognition of their Independence can neither affect her rights nor impair her means in the accomplishment of that policy. We cannot for this be justly accused of aiding in the attainment of an independence which has already been established without our assistance. Besides, our recognition is necessarily consistent with the fact on which it is founded, and cannot survive it. While the nations of Spanish America are actually independent, it is simply to speak the truth to acknowledge them to be so."

"Should Spain, contrary to her avowed principles and acknowledged interests, renew the war for the conquest of South America, we shall indeed regret it; but we shall observe, as we have done, between the independent parties, an honest and friendly neutrality. But on the other hand, should Spain, faithful to her own glory and prosperity, consent that her offspring in the new world should enjoy the right of self-government, equally with their brethren in the old, we shall sincerely rejoice; and we shall cherish with equal satisfaction, and cultivate with equal assiduity the friendship of regenerated Spain and of emancipated America."

There is, therefore, in the matter of which I treat, the most complete harmony between the recognized rules of the law of nations and the practices observed by the most cultivated peoples, between the suggestions of an enlightened reason and the precedents which the traditional policy of ancient Governments have converted into precepts of positive right. That doctrine may be summed up in these two principles: A war may terminate not only by means of treaties, but also *de facto* by the cessation of hostilities, and in the latter case, although the belligerents have the right to renew all the restrictions and the obligations of neutrals cease, he who are *de facto* restored to the relations of a state of peace with the former, so long as the situation is not changed by formal and effective acts of force, previously announced to other nations; the actual recognized state of affairs, be it in treating of the cessation of a war, or of the struggle of a people seeking to achieve or recover their independence, or, finally, of any international situation not clearly established by express treaties, fully and legitimately authorises all other nations at once to resume every right, which may have been abridged by war, without in so doing, in any manner qualifying the motives or controverted rights of the belligerents.

The application of this rule, which your Excellency will find in conformity with the principles of your Government and the laws of this great nation, and in harmony with the just demands of the law of nations and universal interests, is obvious and conclusive in the present position of the United States, with regard to the interrupted or *de facto* terminated war between Spain and the allied Republics; and will be a new paper satisfactory both to your Excellency's Government and to that which I have the honor of representing, the pending question of the speedy departure for the Pacific of the Peruvian monitors at present lying in the port of New-Orleans. I believe myself authorized to trust that your Excellency, giving immediate attention to this matter, will be pleased to decide it in the favorable manner warranted as well by the incontrovertible right of my Government to solicit permission to take out those vessels, as by that of the United States to grant it.

The foregoing would undoubtedly suffice for the end in view, when addressing an upright and enlightened Government, such as that of your Excellency, but the Government of Peru voluntarily and deliberately desires to offer to yours, the most perfect security as to the rectitude of its intentions in sending those vessels to the coasts of the Republic, and, for that purpose, has instructed me to reiterate expressly in writing to the United States Government, the formal promise that the monitors will leave for the Pacific, without attacking or in any way molesting any vessels or possessions of Spain, and without committing any act of hostility, directly or indirectly, against the flag of that nation, either at sea or on land, to which they may not be provoked. The honor of the Peruvian Government will again repeat on this occasion, guarantees to your Excellency the strict fulfillment of this solemn promise.

Trusting that this dispatch, which the gravity and great importance of the matter have made too long, will merit the favorable reception which my Government has well-founded reasons for expecting will be given by that of your Excellency to the subject which has occasioned it, I have the pleasure of subscribing myself, with the highest consideration, your Excellency's most obedient servant.

(Signed) J. A. GARCIA Y GARCIA.

To His Excellency, WILLIAM H. SEWARD, Secretary of State of the United States of America, Washington.

MR. GARCIA Y GARCIA TO MR. SEWARD.

LEGATION OF PERU, CLARENDON HOTEL, NEW-YORK, Sept. 10, 1868.

SIR: Having been honored by your Excellency at our interview of the 8th inst., with the official notification that Peru is at liberty to remove her vessels-of-war from within the jurisdiction of the United States, without restrictions or conditions of any kind, I deem it my duty to anticipate the expression of high esteem and satisfaction with which my Government will receive this new proof of consideration which the United States Government has been pleased to extend to it, by thus giving deserved attention to the important case which was the object of my endeavors with your Excellency, and by deciding it in accordance with the rights of Peru. Great is the honor cast upon your Excellency's Government by this transcendental act, destined as it is from its nature to strengthen the authority of really sound principles of the law of nations, and to invigorate and give renewed impulse to those valuable commercial and industrial interests of the American people which a vague and uncertain situation was seriously compromising.

In accordance with your Excellency's suggestion, I conferred on the same day, the 8th instant, with the Honorable Secretary of the Treasury and with the Assistant Secretary of the Navy as to the instructions to be communicated to the Collector of Customs, and to the commanding officers of the Navy-yard and forts of New-Orleans, and I had the satisfaction of learning the tenor of the orders sent to those officials.

Tendering to your Excellency on this occasion the assurance of my personal gratitude, I have the honor of subscribing myself your Excellency's most obedient servant,

(Signed) J. A. GARCIA Y GARCIA.

To his Excellency, WILLIAM H. SEWARD, Secretary of State of the United States of America, Washington.

THE TREASURY.

Statistics of the Sales of Gold by the Government.

Washington Correspondence of the Cincinnati Commercial.

The bill introduced by Messrs. CONKLING and JUDD prohibits the secret sale or purchase of gold or bonds on account of the United States. From this we learn that, heretofore, these sales and purchases have been in secret, and with premiums amounting to over $7,000,000 have been a source of enormous profit to the gold ring, not only through these premiums themselves, but through the manipulations of the market the possessors of the secret were enabled to make.

That your readers may realize the extent of these transactions, I give a statement prepared at great labor by my friend, Mr. WILLIAM P. COPELAND. I was engaged in securing from the original sources this information, when my friend kindly gave me the results of his own labor:

Currency realized by Government from secret sales of gold through commission brokers since 1861, and previous to April 23, 1868	$238,782,329
Amount of Seven-thirty bonds, act of Congress 1861, placed in the market through secret sale commission brokers	24,486,047
Ditto, sold by Treasury Department	115,513,703
Amount of Five-twenty bonds, act July 7, 1862, converted and placed upon the market through secret sale commission brokers	454,734,096
Ditto, direct by Treasury Department	60,037,504
Amount of Ten-forty bonds, act of March 3, 1864, converted from other loans and placed upon the market by secret sale commission brokers	127,592,500
Ditto, converted and sold direct by Treasury Department	72,407,200
Amount of Five-twenty bonds, act of June 30, 1864 and March 3, 1865, placed upon the market by Government through secret sale commission brokers	36,500,000
Ditto, direct by Treasury Department	89,211,300
Amount of Seven-thirty bonds, acts of June 30, 1864 and March 3, 1865, placed upon the market by Government through secret sale commission brokers, mostly conversions from other forms	808,328,700
Ditto, direct by Treasury Department	25,663,900
Amount of above-mentioned Seven-thirty bonds and other securities reconverted by sales and purchases through secret sale commission brokers into Five-twenty bonds of act of March 3, 1865	958,342,900
Total manipulations to December 1, 1868	$3,062,450,378

The commissions paid on the last mentioned item of $958,342,900 have not been ascertained, nor is it probable that the public will soon be informed.

In the same way I have obtained a statement of commissions paid by the Secretary of the Treasury to agents or brokers outside his department for conversions, purchases and conversions of bonds and gold, previous to April 23, 1868, and since 1864:

Commissions paid to secret sale commission brokers, for secret conversion of gold into greenbacks	$231,650 00
For conversion of small portion of loan of July 17, 1861, the bulk of the loan having been sold by the Secretary of the Treasury	36,109 10
For conversion of sundry securities into Five-Twenty loan, authorized February, 1862	1,028,780 82
For conversion of Ten-forty loan, authorized June, 1864	490,368 12
For conversion of Five-twenty loan, authorized June, 1864	45,437 50
Commissions paid on conversion of Seven-thirties into other securities (the amount of bonds manipulated being $958,342,900,) have not yet been ascertained; but previous to this conversion, the amount paid previous to April 23, 1868, on the same system of conversion, was	4,963,845 45
Total commissions paid previous to April 23, 1868	$7,007,447 46

The bill introduced in the Senate by Hon. ROSCOE CONKLING, is nearly the same as former bills offered in both Houses, and provides that

"Hereafter no percentage, deduction, commission or compensation of any amount or kind shall be allowed to any person for the sale, negotiation or exchange of any bonds or securities of the United States, or of any coin or bullion disposed of at the Treasury Department or elsewhere on account of the United States; and all acts and parts of acts authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to appoint any agent other than some proper officer of his Department, to make such sale or negotiation of bonds and securities. All exchange, purchases or sales of bonds of the United States shall be by inviting the competition of the public by advertising for proposals for any such exchange, purchase or sales, which shall be awarded publicly to the best bidder or bidders, the Secretary of the Treasury reserving the right to reject any such bids, should he deem it to the public interest to do so. All sales of gold on account of the United States shall be made at public auction by a proper officer of the Treasury Department, after giving public notice of the time and place such sales sh

which there is some evidence, or whether it arose from turning so short as to bring the tug under her bows when she could do nothing forward. Keeping the ship in a proper position, to go down to the west and clear off the *Hudson*, the *Midnight* is equally in fault. The libel against the *Hudson* must therefore be dismissed with costs, and in the action brought by the owners of the *Hudson* a decree entered in their favor, with an order of reference to ascertain the amount of their damages.

UNITED STATES COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE.

Before Commissioner Osborn.

In the case of Charles A. Willard, arrested for embezzling letters, the witnesses Gayner and Haywood were cross-examined yesterday; defence was waived, and the defendant was held for trial in $3,500 bail.

United States vs. *Bishop*—This is the second mate who killed the sailor, Philips, on the passage from New-Orleans to Havre, and who was brought before the Commissioner on a charge of murder. The evidence that Philips had drawn a knife was too conclusive to admit of any other indictment than one for manslaughter. It seemed that there had been a fight before the mate used his knife. Bishop was committed for trial in default of bail.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT AND SPECIAL TERM—MARCH 19.

Before Judge Barnard.

THE UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD LITIGATION.

Previous to the call of the short-cause calendar to-day, in Judge BARNARD'S Court, Mr. D. D. Field made a motion for an attachment against Mr. Thomas C. Durant, an officer of the Union Pacific Railroad, for the purpose of having that gentleman punished as for a contempt of court, in refusing to answer certain questions which have been addressed to him on the witness-stand, before Mr. Redfield, referee. Mr. Field said he had the interrogatories all prepared, and he was anxious to proceed with the motion.

Mr. Charles Tracy objected. He thought it was not proper for his opponent to press the motion to-day. They desired time in which to prepare and file their answers to the interrogatories. After some further informal discussion, the Judge decided to hear the case on Saturday, the 20th inst.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT—BROOKLYN.

Before Judge Gilbert.

DAMAGES RECOVERED IN THE COTTON COMMISSION CASE.

Daniel H. Baldwin vs. *Roscell S. Burroughs.*—In this case, the substance of which was reported in yesterday's TIMES, the jury rendered a verdict for the plaintiffs for $14,000, being the full amount claimed.

VERDICT FOR A RAILROAD COMPANY.

Leopold Michel vs. *The Broadway Railroad Company.*—This was an action brought to recover the sum of $20,000 damages, which the plaintiff alleged he had sustained in consequence of being run over by one of the cars of the Broadway Railroad Company on the 11th of July, 1867. The plaintiff was trying to get on one of the open cars, which was then in motion, and while doing so his foot slipped and the wheel passed over it. The defendants, in their allegation, state that the accident occurred in consequence of the negligence of the plaintiff, and not of their employes.

The jury, after remaining out for a short time, rendered a verdict for the defendants.

SUPERIOR COURT—TRIAL TERM—PART II.

Before Judge Fithian and a Jury.

Mann vs. *Betziman.*—The plaintiff in this case sends the following correction: "In the proceeding before Russell the only question determined by him was that Mann's landlord nor his agent had received the rent for July, 1868, and not as to the genuineness of the $1,400 receipt alleged by defendant to be a forgery."

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—MARCH 19.

THE ROGERS MURDER.

The *habeas corpus* in the case of Logan No. 2, which has been repeatedly postponed, was to-day again adjourned for one week. It is reported that all the affidavits and other papers herein have been sent to the Grand Jury, and that they will act upon them at an early day.

COMMON PLEAS—TRIAL TERM—PART II.—MARCH 19.

Before Judge Daly and a Jury.

LIABILITY FOR NON-COLLECTION OF DRAFTS.

Michael Lenan et al. vs. *William B. Dinsmore, President of Adams' Express Company.*—In the month of December, 1866, plaintiffs made a draft or bill of exchange on one David Wolf, of Memphis, Tenn., for $1,027 56, and placed it in the hands of defendants for collection, taking therefor the ordinary receipt of the Company. The Adams' Express Company transferred the collection to another company, and after a reasonable time had elapsed, plaintiffs made inquiry at the office of Adams' Express, and was informed that they would telegraph concerning it. A month or more elapsed when it was discovered that the draft was uncollected, and the party on whom it was drawn had become insolvent.

Demand was made on the Company for payment, which was refused on the ground that written notice had not been given them, according to the terms of the receipt, and also that the failure to collect was made by another Company, to whom they had a right to transfer it. It was claimed by plaintiffs that, in accepting a verbal notice, which had been frequently given, defendants thereby waived their right to a written notice, and that, in failing to disclose the name of the Company to which the collection was transferred until after the thirty days had expired within which notice should have been given to that Company, they had confirmed their own responsibility. It appeared that the Company had assumed the right to give the drawer of the draft time to make the payment. No evidence was given showing the solvency of the drawer of the draft at the time it was made, but plaintiffs did show that similar drafts had been paid, thereby raising the presumption of solvency, which defendants failed to contradict. It was also claimed by plaintiffs that they ought to have had notice from the Company of a failure to collect.

The jury promptly rendered a verdict in favor of plaintiffs for the amount of the draft with interest, and the Court granted an allowance of five per cent.

Messrs. Lee and T. M. Alexander for plaintiffs. Mr. Blackford and Charles De Costa for defendants.

CHARLES THE SECOND.

Vanlens Phillippe and Leonado Petrille vs. *Charles K. Deutsch.*—In March, 1867, defendant in this action having the ambition to personate King Charles the Second at a masked ball obtained a loan of the appropriate costume together with that of another character, for the use of which plaintiffs claimed $78 25 and brought this action therefor. Judgment was entered up for plaintiffs by default in the action brought by the owners of the costume, and in the action brought by the owners of the *Hudson* a decree entered in their favor, with an order of reference to ascertain the amount of their damages.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM—MARCH 19.

By Judge Barrett.

Albine Schnept vs. *Alois Schuept*; report confirmed and judgment of divorce granted; alimony and costs not fee as reported.

DOUBT NOTED.—In the case of Krannel vs. The Mayor, &c., tried in the Court of Common Pleas, and Gray vs. Heller, tried in the Superior Court, both of which have been heretofore noticed, the juries failed to agree and were discharged.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

Before Judge Bedford.

BURGLARY.

Henry Monroe was tried for entering the premises of Elias L. Van Arsdel, No. 149 East Thirty-ninth-street, on the night of March 1.

Elias L. Van Arsdel stated that on the night in question he was aroused by a noise, looked out of the back window and saw a man scaling the fence. In the morning he found the back door forced open and certain trunks in the basement opened. The door showed marks of a chisel, the bolts being broken off. The prosecutor saw the prisoner after the arrest and asked him how far he had got into the house. The prisoner said, "A little way up stairs."

Officer Rowe testified that on the morning of the 2d of March he heard a cry of "stop thief," and saw the prisoner coming out of an alleyway in East Fortieth-street, at the rear of Mr. Van Arsdel's house; found nothing on the prisoner, but found a chisel and screwdriver in the yard of No. 142 East Fortieth-street; the Officer heard the prisoner admit that he had been in the house.

The jury promptly brought in a verdict of "burglary in the first degree."

The Judge, addressing the prisoner, told him he had served two terms in the Albany Penitentiary, and had been arrested for theft in New-York. The sentence was twelve years and six months in the State Prison.

GRAND LARCENY.

People vs. *George Smith.*—The prisoner, a self-possessed youngster of 14, was charged with grand larceny.

Benjamin F. Raynor, a real estate dealer at No. 86 Cedar-street, testified that on the 26th of February he sent the boy, who was in his employ, to carry a number of checks, amounting to $6,045 14, to the Union Trust Company's office—checks, book and deposit ticket together; that when the boy returned the receipt was less by $126 45 than the amount sent, that being the value of one check on Howes, Macy & Co., which check was missing.

Frederick J. Fox, paying teller of the Union Trust Company, said the boy came in with book and checks but no deposit ticket. The witness made a list of the checks and proved the amount to be $5,918 59. He asked the boy if that was right, and the boy didn't know. In half an hour Mr. Raynor came in and said there was a mistake, the receipt was not large enough.

Edwin W. Bramhall, paying teller of Howes & Macy, stated that on the day in question a boy came in, presented a check drawn by James Hobart Scott for $126 45, and asked for the money; witness certified the check supposing that the boy was mistaken in the errand on which he came, and that Mr. Raynor had sent the check to be certified; the witness has never seen the check since.

A. Walter Platt stated that he was left in charge of the boy while Mr. Raynor went to see about the check, and that the boy threw several papers into the stove.

Wm. Smith, the prisoner's father, testified to his good character.

Levi Wing testified to the same effect.

John H. Ryerson, a real estate dealer, said the boy's character was bad.

Mr. NASH, counsel for the prisoner, moved that the boy be allowed to make a statement, on the ground that the boy had not been properly examined at the Police Court. The motion was denied. The counsel then argued that this was no case of larceny, but an embezzlement, and that nobody under 18 years of age could be indicted for such an embezzlement. The law forbade the indicting of boys under 18 for embezzlement on purpose to prevent striking the name from trusting small boys with money.

Mr. HUTCHINGS replied that the distinction between larceny and embezzlement is, that larceny is taking property which is in the possession of the owner, and that embezzlement is taking it before it comes into the owner's possession.

The Judge denied the motion to quash the indictment, stating that it was a larceny if the boy had the felonious intent when he took the checks from Mr. Raynor.

DISCHARGED.

People vs. *James Devlin.*—This man, who was, on Thursday, tried for larceny, and who, after a verdict of guilty had been rendered, made a defence for himself, was called to the bar yesterday. Judge BEDFORD told him that he believed the defence, and that he would discharge him on his own recognizance.

James Wilson, who pleaded guilty to the burglary for which Devlin was indicted, was discharged under a suspended judgment, in view of his having a young wife and child.

LARCENY OF BUTTER.

Charles Johnson was tried for stealing ninety pounds of butter. The prisoner pleaded guilty, and was sent to State's Prison for two years.

People vs. *Henry Reffelt.*—This most respectable looking gentleman was charged with stealing $80, in gold, from a poor emigrant. His counsel promised that the money should be restored, and the trial was postponed to Tuesday.

BURGLARY.

John Skelly was tried for burglary. The prisoner pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to the Penitentiary for a year and six months.

FALSE PRETENCES.

People vs. *Ezra Smith.*—Seven indictments for obtaining goods on false pretences were brought against this man, but for some reasons all the complaints were withdrawn. Judgment was suspended.

The Court then adjourned.

FIFTH DISTRICT COURT.

Before Judge Loew.

THE RIGHTS OF LANDLORDS.

Rufus E. Johnson vs. *Henry Livingston.*—This was an action to recover the sum of $250 damages, by reason of plaintiff being kept out of possession of a house which he had hired from defendant. It appeared on trial that plaintiff had leased from defendant a house in Second-avenue for the term of one year and three months, commencing on the 1st of February last, and ending on the 1st of May, 1870, at the yearly rent of $1,500, payable monthly in advance. On the 1st of February, plaintiff paid the defendant $125 for the first month's rent, and subsequently attempted to move into the house in question, but was prevented from so doing by the former tenant, whose terms, it appeared from defendant's evidence, expired on the 1st of February, but who, from some unexplained cause, refused to surrender, and still retains possession of the premises. The plaintiff now brings this action to recover damages for being kept out of possession during the month of February. Judge LOEW has rendered the following decision in the case:

A general impression prevails that a landlord is bound to give his tenant possession of demised premises, and if he fails to do so he will become liable in an action for damages. But such is not the law. The extent of the landlord's implied agreement by leasing is that he has a good title and can give a free and unincumbered lease for the term demised. There is no warranty against the acts of strangers, nor is the landlord under any obligation to put his tenant into actual possession. (Gardner vs. Keteltas, 3 Hill, 331; Mechanics' and Traders' Fire Insurance Company vs. Scott, 3 RHIB., 205.) If the tenant is kept out of possession by the landlord himself, or by some other person holding under a title paramount to that of the lessor, the landlord would doubtless be liable; but if, as in this case, he be kept out by the act of a previous tenant, whose term has expired and who wrongfully holds over, the lessee must himself resort to the proper remedy to obtain possession. (Same cases.) What that remedy is it is not necessary to consider at the present time. There is a dictum of my learned Judge who delivered the opinion in Gardner vs. Keteltas, to the effect that in such a case the tenant may remove the party in possession by summary proceedings under the statute. It is to be hoped that such is the case, because it would be a great hardship if the tenant under such circumstances were compelled to resort to the tedious and expensive remedy of an action of ejectment. But the plaintiff might have avoided the unpleasant position in which he finds himself placed, if, at the time of hiring, he had agreed with the defendant that he (defendant) should give him possession. For I have no doubt that when a landlord agrees to put his tenant into possession of the demised premises, he must do so, or else he will become liable. Judgment must be rendered for the defendant with costs.

POLICE COURTS.

The Tombs—Dowling, Justice.

BURGLARY IN BAYARD-STREET.

During Thursday night the saloon of Martin Boll, No. 55 Bayard-street, was entered by a burglar, who forced open one of the rear windows, but on leaving the premises the felonious operator fell into the custody of Officer Toomey, of the Sixth Precinct. The prisoner gave his name as William Hellnicht, and was committed for trial at the General Sessions.

SUSPICION OF LARCENY.

The arrest of William Finnegan, errand-boy in the employ of David Glaser, 223 Canal-street, on suspicion of stealing $75, has been fully reported. When the accused was arraigned yesterday, there was no evidence produced against him, except that he left the store at an early hour on the afternoon of the robbery, and had been seen in close proximity to the safe from which the money was stolen. The boy denied his guilt, and offering to show a good character was remanded for examination.

LEAD KNUCKLES.

Edward Butcher, who has reached the mature age of 26 years, was arrested for firing a pistol in the street by Officer O'Keefe, of the Fourth Precinct, and upon being searched at the Oak-street Station-house he was found to have a pair of lead knuckles concealed upon his person. This circumstance constituted so grave a crime that Butcher was committed in default of $500 bail.

Jefferson Market—Dodge, Justice.

A BOLD PICKPOCKET.

On Thursday evening, about 11 o'clock, as Mr. Albert Pagansteher was riding with his wife in a Fourth-avenue car, he felt his watch to be safe in his vest pocket just before arriving at the corner of Fourth-avenue and Eighth-street. He shortly after attempted to leave the car, and had handed his lady from the car platform, when he was pressed back several times by a person standing there. He felt a pull at his watch chain, and immediately ascertained that his valuable gold repeater, worth $250, had been extracted from his pocket. He charged the man who had pressed against him with the theft, who turned and tried to escape through the car. The alarm was immediately raised, and the rascal was detained until the arrival of the proper officers, when he was taken to the Fourth Precinct Station-house. Of course no trace of the property was discovered, the thief having passed it to a confederate while in the car. At the station-house he was recognized as an old offender. In the Court yesterday, he gave his name as George King, and was committed for trial by Justice DODGE.

DISHONEST EMPLOYES.

Charles Peoble, the proprietor of a draper's establishment at No. 476 Greenwich-street, yesterday charged David Andrews and Adam Klapp with stealing from his store on the 3d of January a quantity of silk and worsted braid valued at $30. The young men were in the employ of Peoble at the time. They confessed their guilt, and acknowledged that they had sold a portion of the property to Abram Marks, all of the offenders were committed for trial by Justice DODGE. Marks furnished bail in the sum of $1,500.

AN OLD STABBING CASE.

James McCarty, of West Thirtieth-street, who was cut and stabbed by Patrick Costello on the 24th of February, as reported in the TIMES, had yesterday recovered sufficiently from his injuries to appear at the Jefferson Market Police Court, and make affidavit against his assailant. Costello was committed for trial without bail.

A DRUNKEN ROW.

John Gallot, who keeps a saloon at No. 25 West Houston-street, charged Daniel S. Caffray with coming into his saloon, abusing him, and finally seizing a large knife and threatening to kill him. The prisoner explained that he was under the influence of liquor, and did not contemplate any serious injury to Gallot. Justice DODGE did not consider the excuse sufficient, and committed the man for trial at the Court of General Sessions.

A SINGULAR CASE.

Louis F. Reed, of No. 669 Greenwich-street, came before Justice DODGE yesterday afternoon, and charged Edward L. Irion with coming to his place of business in the St. Charles Hotel on Thursday night, and stealing therefrom cigars, tobacco, &c., valued at $300. The peculiarity of the case is that Irion had bought the cigar stand and stock from Reed, giving him $600, and has since been trading with him in the cigar line. He, however, still owes Reed a small amount of money. Reed came to the stand in the St. Charles on Thursday, and ejected Irion forcibly from the premises. Irion returned during the night, and removed some of his goods. The inference is that Reed has preferred the charge of larceny against Irion to obtain the money which still remains unpaid. The defendant was admitted to bail in the sum of $1,500.

POLICE TRIALS.

Before Commissioner Manierre.

Twenty-five Policemen appeared before Commissioner MANIERRE yesterday to answer complaints most of them of a trivial character.

NOT TAKING A PRISONER TO THE STATION-HOUSE.

Mr. Aaron Hersfield, residing at No. 72½ Mulberry-street, preferred a charge against Patrolman Edward McGrath, of the Sixth Precinct. Hersfield was assaulted one evening in front of his store. He sent his clerk to point out the assailant to a policeman. The clerk did so, and Officer McGrath arrested the man. The officer proceeded on his way to the Station-house, with the complainant, his clerk, following. A rabble of children collected, as usual, about the party. To avoid them Mr. Hersfield and the clerk crossed to the opposite side of the street without giving any notice to the officer. Mr. Hersfield's complaint was that the officer subsequently refused his prisoner without taking him to the Station-house.

Captain JOURDAN stated that his instructions to his officers on certain streets in the Sixth Precinct in petty cases of assaults and quarrels were not to bring in prisoners without the complainants to the Station-house. Whether, after an officer has inquired into a case, and has decided he has good cause to make an arrest for an assault, and has taken the prisoner in charge, he can then let him go simply because the complainant disappears from his sight, especially if the complainant is known to be a resident of the immediate vicinity, may be a question. But the case against the officer was dismissed by the Commissioner on the ground that he was obeying orders.

ALLEGED INTOXICATION.

Francis Headan, Sergeant of the Fiftieth Precinct, (Brooklyn,) was charged by Captain Powers with being intoxicated at 3 o'clock on the morning of the 6th instant. The defence was a denial, although Headan admitted to drinking two glasses of ale between 11 and 12 o'clock.

WILL TURN OVER A NEW LEAF.

Bernard Smith, patrolman of the Sixth Precinct, has been up a great many times. The Commissioner told him, after hearing two charges against him yesterday, that he feared he would not last much longer on the force. Smith said, if he was given one more chance, he would try to do better—that he would turn over a new leaf.

PATROLMEN'S STANDARD EXCUSE.

So many excuses of a certain kind were made by the patrolmen of one of the precincts that the Commissioner suggested a traveling earth closet for their accommodation.

DEAR MILK.

One of Captain Jourdan's men was off post drinking milk. Mr. Manierre cautioned him against Sixth Ward milk. It will cost him a day's pay.

EFFICIENCY IN DRIVING OFF CORNER LOAFERS.

William Green, patrolman of the Seventh Precinct, was off post he said after bad boys, and wound up an eloquent description of his chase by saying, "If you'll join in to rule I have nothing more to say." Sergeant Silsby gave Green a good character for efficiency in keeping the corners clear, and the complaint against him will probably be dismissed.

MONETARY AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—MARCH 19, 1869.

$1,500 5-20 C., '62, small	119	$10,000 Mar. T. 10s, cfs	68¾
10,000 do.	119½	5 Metropolitan Bk.	142
19,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '67	113⅝	3 Bk of Commerce	114
50,000 do.	b3 114	5 Imp. & Trad. Bk.	130
35,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '64	115¾	5 Continental Bk.	100
11,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '65, New	113⅞	20 Amer. Exch. Bank	118
4,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '65	114	50 Fourth Nat. Bk.	103
100,000 U.S. 5s, 10-40 C.	91	10 Amer. Mer. U. Ex	41¼
2,500 do.	105¾	30 Pacific Mail	91
1,500 do.	105¾	100 do	90¾
25,000 U. S. 6s Cur.	103¾	100 Boston W. P.	91
15,000 Mich. So. & N. Ind. 6s, 1st M.	86	200 Quicksilver	19¾
10,000 Tenn. Sti. 6s, n.	65¾	100 West U. T., b. c.	37½
4,000 do.	65¾	10 Reading	91
1,000 Mich. S. 6s, '78	88	50 Mich. Cen.	118
5,000 Mo. St. 6s	86	100 Mich. Southern	96¾
3,000 do. bet. call	87¾	200 Clev. & Pitts.	97
2,000 Ga. St. 6s	82	27 Chi. & N. W.	84¾
1,000 N. Y. St. 6s, '77, 1863		100 do	84¾
1,000 Mich. So. & N. Ind. 7s	98	400 do	84¾
2,000 Chic. R. & P. 6s	90	200 do	84¾
500 Chi. & N. W. 1st	90	5 C., Cin. & I. R.	65
1,000 N. J. Cen. 1st M.	95	50 do	64
500 Mich. Cen. 8s, new Bds.	117¾	100 Mil. & St. P.	69¾
3,000 Gt. West. 2d M.	79	50 Del., L. & W.	114¾
5,000 C. & R. I. & P. R. R. 7s	94	200 T., W. & W.	86¾
500 Mich. & Ex. 1st	99¾	100 do	87
2,000 do.	99¾	125 New-Jersey Cen.	110
2,000 Mor. & Es. 2d M.	90	55 do bet. call	110¼
6,000 do.	89¾	10 Morris & Es.	87¼
1,000 N. J. Cen. 2d M.	89	100 do	87¾
1,000 P., F. W. & C. 1st	101½	550 H. & St. J. Pf.	113¾
12,000 C. C. & I. C. 1st	86¾	400 do	114
9,000 do.	86¾	20 do	114¾
6,000 do.	86¾	400 Col., C. & I. Cen. bet. call	43
1,000 W. U. T. 7s, bds.	87		

SECOND BOARD—12½ P. M.

$30,000 U. S. 6s '81, C.	116¾	$6,000 U. S. 5s, 10-40, C.	106⅜
6,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '64	115	25,000 do b3	106⅛
5,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '65, 117		54,500 U. S. 5-20 C., '67	113¾
9,500 U. S. 5-20 C., '65, new	113¾	14,500 do	113⅝
1,500 do	113½	230,000 do	113⅝
		200,000 do b60	114⅛

SECOND BOARD—2½ P. M.

$4,000 Ind. State 5s, b c	97½	125 Pacific Mail	91¾
19,000 Tenn. 6s, New	65	5 Am. Mer. U. Ex.	41
2,500 Va. St. 6s, new	61	10 Mer. U. Ex.	16
1,000 do.	61	9 N. Y. Cent'l.	156⅛
5,000 Tenn. St. 6s, 2 c	66½	100 Chic. & N. W.	85
2,000 C., Cin. & Ind. Cen. 1st M.	86½	200 do	85
5,000 do.	86½	100 Mil. & St. P.	69¾
20 Bk. of Commerce	122¾	bbl.	80
100 West. Un. Tel.	36	100 do b60	80½
200 Quick. Min. Co.	20¾	500 Ohio & Miss.	32½
100 do. b10	20¾	100 Han. & St. Jo. Pf	114¾
100 Mariposa Min.	18¾	75 C., Cin. & I. Cen.	43
200 do.	18¾	100 Col., C. & Ind. Cen.	43
100 Mariposa Pf.	34¾	25 N. J. C. R. R.	110¾
100 do. b10	34¾		

OPEN BOARD—10 A. M.

$1,000 Tenn. St. 6s, n.	65	100 Fort Wayne	120¼
100 Wells-Fargo Ex.	33	100 do b5	120⅛
100 Amer. Mer. Ex.	41	300 Ohio & Miss.	32¾
200 Adams Ex.	59	100 do b6	32¾
100 do	58⅞	200 Mich. S. & N. I.	87
100 do c	58⅞	200 do c	88⅛
50 U. S. Ex.	50	200 do c	88⅜
300 Quick. Min. Co.	19¼	100 do b5	88⅜
200 Mariposa	18	400 do c	88⅜
100 Pacific Mail	90¾	300 do b5	88⅜
100 do b30	90¾	400 do b10	87
200 do	90¾	1200 Clev. & Pitts.	97
300 do	90¾	400 do	96⅞
200 do c	90¾	200 do c	96⅞
200 do c	90¾	200 do b5	96⅞
200 West. U. Tel.	37¾	600 Cleve & Tol.	106⅝
100 New-York Cen.	156	100 do	106⅜
800 do	155⅞	200 do b3	106⅝
6200 Reading	91¾	900 Chic. & N. W.	84⅝
400 do b10	91¾	1200 do	84⅝
800 do	91⅝	1000 do b60	85⅛
100 do c	91⅞	200 do c	84⅝
100 Canton	58	300 do b5	84⅝
100 Mil. & St. P.	69	800 Chic. & N. W. Pf.	92⅛
200 Mil. & St. P. Pf.	80	200 do b10	92⅛
100 do b4	79	200 do b3	92⅜
100 do c	79	200 do c	92⅛
500 Chi., R. I. & P.	128⅛	200 Boston W. P.	17¾

OPEN BOARD—1 P. M.

$10,000 N. C. St. 6s, new	58	100 N. Y. Cen.	156⅜
5,000 Tenn. 6s, new	65¾	100 do b10	156⅜
20,000 do c	65	100 W. & W.	87⅛
100 Wells Fargo Ex.	33¾	100 Mil. & St. P.	69¾
100 Adams Express	58⅜	100 Mil. & St. P. Pf.	79
100 Amer. Express	59	100 Fort Wayne	120⅛
100 do	58⅞	200 do	120¼
50 U. S. Express	50	200 do c	98⅜
300 Quick. Min. Co.	19¼	100 do b5	98⅜
200 Mariposa	18	400 do c	98⅜
100 Pacific Mail	90¾	300 do b5	98⅜
100 do b30	90¾	400 do b10	97
200 do	90¾	1200 Clev. & Pitts.	97
900 do	90¾	400 do	96⅞
200 do c	90¾	200 do c	96⅞
200 do c	90¾	200 do b5	96⅞
200 West. U. Tel.	37¾	600 Cleve & Tol.	106⅝
100 New-York Cen.	156	100 do	106⅜
800 do	155⅞	200 do b3	106⅝
6200 Reading	91¾	900 Chic. & N. W.	84⅝
400 do b10	91¾	1200 do	84⅝
800 do	91⅝	1000 do b60	85⅛
100 do c	91⅞	200 do c	84⅝
100 Canton	58	300 do b5	84⅝
100 Mil. & St. P.	69	800 Chic. & N. W. Pf.	92⅛
200 Mil. & St. P. Pf.	80	200 do b10	92⅛
100 do b4	79	200 do b3	92⅜
100 do c	79	200 do c	92⅛
500 Chi., R. I. & P.	128⅛	200 Boston W. P.	17¾

OPEN BOARD—2½ P. M.

$10,000 Tenn. 6s, n.	65¾	100 Mil. & St. Paul.	69¼
10,000 Tenn. 6s, n.	65¾	200 do	69¾
100 Wells-Fargo Ex.	33	100 Mil. & St. P. Pf.	79¾
50 American Ex.	59	200 do b30	80
100 U. S. Ex. Co.	55	100 do	79¾
200 Quicksilver	20¼	100 do b30	79¾
100 Mariposa Min.	18¾	100 do	79¾
100 Mar. Pf.	34¾	200 M. So. & N. I.	86¾
100 Pacific Mail b5	91	200 Clev. & Pitts.	97
200 do	91¾	200 Lake Shore	106¾
200 New-York Cen. b6	156⅞	100 C., R. I. & P.	130
200 Reading	92¾	100 do	128¾
200 do b15	92¾	100 Chi. & N. W.	85¾
100 T., W. & W.	87¾	200 do	85¾
100 West. U. T.	38	100 do	85¾
200 Ohio & Miss.	32¾	300 Chi. & N. W. Pf.	92¾
100 do b10	32½	200 do b10	92¾
200 Clev. & Pitts.	98¼	200 do	92¾

FRIDAY, March 19—P. M.

The following is the exact text of the Public Credit act, passed by Congress, and approved by President GRANT:

Be it enacted, &c., That in order to remove any doubt as to the purpose of the Government to discharge all just obligations to the public creditors, and to settle conflicting questions and interpretations of the law by virtue of which such obligations have been contracted, it is hereby provided and declared that the faith of the United States is solemnly pledged to the payment in coin or its equivalent of all the obligations of the United States not bearing interest, known as United States notes, and of all the interest-bearing obligations, except in cases where the law authorizing the issue of any such obligations has expressly provided that the same may be paid in lawful money or in other currency than gold and silver; but none of the said interest-bearing obligations not already due shall be redeemed or paid before maturity, unless at such time as United States notes shall be convertible into coin at the option of the holder, or unless at such time as bonds of the United States bearing a lower rate of interest than the bonds to be redeemed can be sold at par in coin; and the United States also solemnly pledges its faith to make provision at the earliest practical period for the redemption of the United States notes in coin.

JAMES G. BLAINE,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
SCHUYLER COLFAX,
Vice-President of the United States and President of the Senate.

APPROVED, March 18, 1869.

U. S. GRANT.

The following eminent London houses are now represented in this market in the purchases of United States 5-20 Bonds: Messrs. Baring, Rothschild, Stern, Bischoffheim, Raphael, Morgan, Speyer, Hambro, Seligman, Brown, and Morton, Burns & Co. Most of these houses, in addition to their English business, are directly connected with Frankfort-on-the-Main, by far the largest, as it was the first, of the Continental markets for United States 5-20s. The purchases in this market, of late, have been heaviest in amount, perhaps, by the correspondents of Messrs. Stern Brothers, and of Messrs. Bischoffheim, Goldschmid & Co. They recently divided between themselves a single purchase from Messrs. Fisk & Hatch of *Nine millions of dollars*. But very large amounts have been taken in the last few months for Messrs. Raphael, Rothschild, Seligman, Speyer and others, connected through London with the Continental markets.

After the enormous business of yesterday in Five-twenties and in Gold, the former were something less buoyant to-day, while the latter, on account of the heavy deliveries and the comparatively light supply of Cash Gold, advanced from 130⅝ to 131¼ ₱ cent. There is no recovery in the Foreign Exchanges, and some of the parties who sold Gold yesterday in anticipation of their sales of Bills on London for Gold, found themselves unable to negotiate to-day, except at a further concession in rates. We quote at the close, sixty days' London at 108¾@108⅝; short sight, 108⅝@108⅞; Cable transfers, 108⅝@109 ₱ cent. There was a borrowing demand for Gold free of Interest, and early in the day a small consideration was paid for its use until Saturday. The Public Funds sold at 113⅛@¾ ₱ ½ for the 5-20s of 1867; at 113⅛@½@¼ for the 1862s and other 5-20s, and 6 ₱ cents of 1881 in about the same proportion. The 10-40s were a fraction better, and 106 was paid on a 30-day option to the buyer, and 105¾@¾ cash. The Currency 6 ₱ cents (Pacific Road subsidies) continue firm at the recent advance to 103¼@103⅝ ₱ cent.

The inquiry for Money from the Brokers was again pretty sharp, and the rates of interest on call loan from 7 ₱ cent. in Currency to 7 ₱ cent. in Gold, or say 7 to 6½ ₱ cent. per annum. Merchant paper goes at harder rates for the borrower—prime names, of short date, at 9@10, and in some instances 12 ₱ cent. per annum. The question, so far as the Brokers are concerned, seems to relate rather to price than to the condition of supply, which was somewhat easier at the close of the day than yesterday. The course of Currency is, if anything, in favor of the Banks, this week, while the flow of Gold into the Treasury for Customs continues to average $500,000 per day, or $3,000,000 per week. This operation, in the absence of Gold Interest payments of the Public Debt, of course tends to render Gold scarce for Cash delivery in the open market; but the new Secretary of the Treasury will, probably, in the course of next week, take measures to exchange part of his present large surplus for United States Gold-bearing Stocks, coupon or registered, and he may possibly offer to cash the May Interest on the 5-20s, though under the experiments of his predecessor on this point, some years ago, no important success was made to hasten the presentation of coupons.

In other departments of the Stock Exchange than the Public Funds the feeling was dull on the Southern State Bonds, and unsettled, for the most part, on the Railways. The latter at the close of the day were something firmer, but the speculation of a hesitating nature, except on the two Northwest Stocks, which are decidedly buoyant, and the buyers seemingly confident of a further material rise on the Spring traffic and easy finances of the Company. This feeling in Northwest reflects a certain support to the St. Paul Stocks, Michigan Southern, Fort Wayne, Toledo, &c. Pacific Mail was unsettled between 91½@90¾@91½ ₱ cent. The Mariposa Stocks firm and Quicksilver steady.

The new 7 ₱ cent. Gold Loan of $4,500,000 for the Lake Superior Road, (Land Grant,) promoted by Messrs. E. W. CLARK & Co., of Philadelphia, and Messrs. JAY COOKE & Co., of this City, has proved a quick, as well as complete success. Only $1,300,000 of the Bonds remained unsold in both markets at noon to-day, and the whole Loan will no doubt be closed out early next week.

After the late Boards adjourned, the following quotations were made, as compared with Thursday night: Gold was easier after 'Change hours. There was a little better tone to the Foreign Exchanges. Money closed up easier. The Public Funds steady on the 5-20s of 1867; dull for the 1862s:

	Thursday.	Friday.
United States 10-40s	105⅝	105⅞
United States 5-20s of 1862	119¾	119
United States 5-20s of 1867	113¾	113½
American Gold Coin	130⅞	131
Bills on London, 60 days	108½	108½
New Bonds of Tennessee	65	65
Virginia Bonds, old	56½	56¼
Missouri Bonds	88	87¾
North Carolina Bonds, old	62¾	62
New-York Central	159¾	159⅜
Reading Railway	91⅜	91⅝
Chicago and Rock Island	128⅞	128¼
Northwest Common	84⅝	85½
Northwest Preferred	92⅜	92⅝
Michigan Southern	96⅞	96⅝
Pittsburg and Fort Wayne	120¼	120¾
Cleveland and Pittsburg	87	88
Pacific Mail Company	91½	91½
St. Paul Preferred	79¼	79¼
St. Paul Common	69¼	69½
Toledo and Wabash	67	67½
Cleveland and Toledo	106¾	106½
Ohio and Mississippi	32¼	32½
Mariposa Preferred	34⅝	34⅝

The following bids were made for the various Public Funds of the United States at the close of business:

6 ₱ cent. reg., 1881	116	5-20 coup., 1865	113¼
6 ₱ cent. coup., 1881	116¼	5-20

The New York Times.

TRIPLE SHEET.

NEW-YORK, SATURDAY, MARCH 20, 1869.

Amusements this Evening.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.
14th-st. and Irving-place.
MATINEE at 1 o'clock.—LE PROPHETE. Leading character by Mme. La Grange.

BOOTH'S THEATRE.
23d-st., corner 6th-av.
MATINEE at 1 o'clock.—ROMEO AND JULIET.
EVENING—NARCISSE. Leading character by Mr. Edwin Adams.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.
Broadway, corner 13th-st.
SCHOOL. Leading characters by Mr. Lester Wallack, Miss Germon, and Mr. Marlowe.

BROUGHAM'S THEATRE.
24th-st., near 6th-av.
SHYLOCK and A GENTLEMAN FROM IRELAND. Leading character by Mr. Brougham.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.
Broadway, between Prince and Houston sts.
FORTY THIEVES. Leading characters by Miss Lydia Thompson and Mr. Beckett.
MATINEE at 2 o'clock.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.
Broadway, between Houston and Bleecker sts.
HUMPTY DUMPTY. Leading characters by Mr. Geo. L. Fox and Mlle. Laurent.
MATINEE at 1½ o'clock.

WAVERLEY THEATRE.
No. 720 Broadway.
LUCRETIA BORGIA. Leading characters by Miss Elise Holt and Mr. Aikins.
MATINEE at 2 o'clock.

BROADWAY THEATRE.
Broadway, near Broome-st.
THE SHADOW OF A CRIME. Leading character by Miss Kate Reignolds.
MATINEE at 1½ o'clock.

THE TAMMANY.
14th-st., near 3d-av.
GRAND COMBINATION OF MUSIC, PLAYS, PANTOMIMES, ACROBATIC FEATS, &c.
MATINEE at 2 o'clock.

WOOD'S MUSEUM AND THEATRE.
Broadway, corner of 30th-st.
THE IRISH LION and THRICE MARRIED.
MATINEE at 2 o'clock.

BOWERY THEATRE.
Bowery, near Canal-st.
THE SEVEN DWARFS. By a powerful cast.
MATINEE at 2 o'clock.

NEW-YORK CIRCUS.
14th-st., opposite Academy of Music.
EQUESTRIAN AND GYMNASTIC PERFORMANCES.
MATINEE at 2½ o'clock.

SAN FRANCISCO MINSTRELS.
No. 585 Broadway.
THE SIEGE OF THE BLONDES, (Burlesque,) NEGRO COMICALITIES, &c.

BRYANTS' MINSTREL HALL.
14th-st., near 3d-av.
ROMEO AND JULIET, (Burlesque,) VOCALISTS, HUMORISTS, &c.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

The troubles in Andalusia, Spain, still continue. The opposition displayed at Jeres de la Frontera to the conscription had culminated in a battle between the insurgents and regular troops. The engagement though brief was very fierce, the insurgents being defeated and 600 taken prisoners. MERAMON had appeared at Patema in the mountains at the head of 900 Carlists, and troops have been despatched to that neighborhood.

The British National Steamship Company have offered to carry the mails between Great Britain and the United States for one penny per ounce. It is objected that the steamers of this line are too slow.

A Royal decree has been published in Austria establishing trial by jury for offences against the Press law.

The steamship *Antwerp* from Liverpool, put into Queenstown yesterday, having her main shaft broken.

CUBA.

The insurgents continue to wantonly destroy and burn plantations in different parts of the island, thereby causing an immense loss to individual planters and producers. A Spanish transport has arrived at Havana with troops, and Generals BUCETA and ESCALANTE. An engagement had taken place near Alvarez, the Government, as usual, reporting a victory. A battle is reported to have occurred at Guaracabella, and the insurgents again defeated.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate, yesterday, the Committee on Public Lands reported the joint resolutions enabling settlers to purchase Cherokee and Osage Indian lands, and extending the St. Croix and Lake Superior Railroad. Also, a bill amending the act to protect rights of settlers on public lands. Bills granting lands to aid in constructing a railroad in Nebraska and Colorado, and to aid in constructing railroads in Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota, were introduced and appropriately referred. A bill to continue the Educational and Collection Departments of the Freedmen's Bureau was presented from Committee and passed. Mr. FENTON introduced a bill to encourage the building of ocean steamships in the United States, and to provide for the transmission of the American mails to Europe in such vessels. Mr. SUMNER called up the bill to carry out decrees of United States Courts relative to compensation for British vessels if illegally seized during the rebellion, when some debate ensued, the bill finally going over at the expiration of the morning hour. The Tenure-of-Office bill was then taken up as unfinished business. An extended debate ensued, though no decisive result was reached as the Senate went into Executive Session at 4:40 P. M., and soon after adjourned.

In the House several bills of minor importance were introduced, after which the House proceeded, in Committee of the Whole, to consider the state of the Union, Mr. JUDD being in the chair. The Indian Appropriation bill was debated on, when the whole Indian policy of the Government was opened by an amendment offered by Mr. WOOD to reduce the appropriation to certain Indian tribes. This led to an animated discussion, in which Mr. LAWRENCE, of Ohio, attacked the Senate and accused it of squandering the people's money. For this he was called to order, and cautioned by the Chair. At 4 o'clock the Committee rose and reported the bill to the House, which was passed. A resolution was reported by the Committee on Foreign Affairs, which instructed it to inquire into the circumstances attending the imprisonment of Messrs. BLISS and WATERMAN, of Paraguay. The House then adjourned until Monday.

GENERAL.

Later advices have been received from Rio Janeiro. The war news was unimportant. President LOPEZ had collected an army of 4,000 Paraguayans, and was fortifying Grasse, a town in the interior.

The pardon granted by President JOHNSON to JAMES D. MARTIN, late Cashier of the Boston Hide and Leather Bank, and subsequently recalled, has been restored to MARTIN through the hands of the United States Marshal of that district.

ELIAS WARD, of New-Jersey, was yesterday tried in the Baltimore Criminal Court as a non-resident and unlicensed trader, and fined $400. The case will be made a test one, and has been carried to the Court of Appeals.

Yesterday morning a construction car filled with laborers, while being backed up to Fishkill on the Dutchess and Columbia Railroad, ran off the track. One of the men, named WM. MCKNIGHT, was killed and seven other severely injured. The cause of the accident has not been ascertained.

The Senate of Georgia has passed the bill providing for an election of Congressmen in that State on the first Wednesday in May. The bill had previously passed the House of Representatives.

A large number of Irish laborers employed on the Midland Railroad became involved in a free fight, in Oxford, N. Y., on St. Patrick's Day, when they were driven out of the town by the citizens. Some of the Irish are reported as fatally wounded. As they threaten to return to Oxford two or three hundred strong, and burn the town, the citizens are arming themselves.

A fire occurred on Thursday night in Greenwich, N. Y., when a loss of $12,000 was occasioned.

By the explosion of a still in ALEXANDER SCOFIELD & Co.'s refinery, in Cleveland, yesterday morning, MATTHEW WILSON, of that firm, was instantly killed, and JOHN COWAN, a gasfitter, probably fatally injured. The latter had entered the still, which was undergoing repairs, and struck a match to see his work.

A Washington dispatch says that it is definitely settled that JOUBERT, a wealthy (French) colored man, is to be the Assessor of the First District of Louisiana. Secretary BOUTWELL sent for him and tendered him the office yesterday. Supervisor CREECY will be retained, and returns at once to New-Orleans.

Secretary COX says that President GRANT has determined on sending Quakers to deal with the Indians, and will soon appoint prominent members of that society as superintendents and Indian agents.

The New-Hampshire delegation have recommended the name of Gov. HARRIMAN as Consul-General to London, and it is understood that President GRANT has acceded to the request, so his name will be sent to the Senate.

The Kearsarge Mills, at Portsmouth, N. H., have been compelled to suspend operations temporarily, on account of the explosion of a boiler this morning. The fireman, named CALLAHAN, was very badly scalded about the face and hands, and is seriously injured.

General SOL MEREDITH, whose death was recently reported, is still alive at his home in Indiana.

Mr. SAMUEL MILLER, of Lynchburg, who is dangerously sick, has given in his will $100,000 to the University of Virginia.

LATHROP S. HODGES, a member of the Detroit bar, was expelled on Wednesday morning, on the charge of the introduction of what he knew to be a dishonest and fraudulent defence in a case in the Circuit Court, in which he was counsel.

The United States steamer *Shubrick*, of the Light-house Department, which was wrecked on the coast of Point Reyes, and again launched, through the surf, after long and fatiguing labor, under the supervision of Engineer WINSHIP, has been thoroughly repaired at Mare Island, Cal.

The remaining two fugitive Sing Sing convicts of the five mentioned yesterday as having escaped on Thursday were caught yesterday morning. The convict who was shot is still in a precarious condition, and of the four men hurt in the noon attempt at escape MCCAULEY and ALLEN are the only ones seriously injured.

Formal complaints against the officers of the fever ship *James Foster, Jr.*, have been laid before the United States District-Attorney for the Southern District by the crew and several of the passengers of the vessel.

Commissioner OSBORN yesterday held GEORGE BISHOP for trial on a charge of having on the 16th of February, while second mate of the American ship *Anna*, murdered WILLIAM L. PHILLIPS, one of the crew.

Dr. HAYES delivered a highly interesting lecture last evening in the Hall of the Young Men's Christian Association, No. 161 Fifth-avenue, on "Arctic Life and Scenery."

An inquest was commenced yesterday at the Seamen's Retreat, Staten Island, over the remains of THOMAS PETERSON and ALFRED ROBINSON, who died, as is believed, from brutal treatment received on board the fever ship *James Foster, Jr.* The inquest was adjourned to Friday next.

A fire of mysterious origin broke out in the building No. 49 Warren-street, last evening, doing damage to the amount of $128,000.

Rev. J. M. SIMS, of Georgia, lectured on "Affairs in Georgia" at the Cooper Institute last evening.

The awards for damages incurred by the Church-street extension are to be paid on the 1st of July next.

Cotton was offered more freely yesterday at easier prices; but was not active. Breadstuffs and provisions attracted less attention, though, in most instances, buyers had and existing advantage. Groceries were more active, but weak in price. The auction sales of Dry Goods, Teas and Boots and Shoes were well attended, and, on the whole, passed off satisfactorily. Business in the family marketing line, was dull, as a rule. Freights were very quiet.

Public Charities and Correction.

Few persons are aware probably that nearly 100,000 persons are now annually subsisted in the several institutions under the charge of the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction of the City of New-York. It is a fact, however, that this number amounted, for the year 1868, to no less than 92,272. Of these, one-half (or, 46,807) were in the City prisons; more than a fifth (or, 16,946) in the workhouse, and the remaining three-tenths or less in various almshouses, asylums, hospitals, schools, and in the Penitentiary.

In view of these statistics the Commissioners claim with justice, in their last report, that the City has "adopted the principle that it is the duty of political communities to sustain and cherish their helpless members, as well as to punish such as violate their laws." From the late spasmodic energy of the authorities in committals for crime, we judge that the prison account for the current year will probably surpass 50,000; but let us hope that the relief of the weak and suffering will also keep pace with the punishment of the lawless.

There are many points in the report just referred to of public interest. The Commissioners, while claiming that the hospitals and nurseries will compare favorably with those of the highest rank elsewhere in comfort, economy, and percentage of cures, confess that the Tombs and the Lunatic Asylum are "very defective in many respects, and quite inadequate for the large numbers committed to them." Some relief is had for the Tombs by transferring prisoners to Houses of Detention; but this relief is only temporary, and the contracted quarters, as well as the defective ventilation of the building, demand a permanent enlargement, or a total removal. The Commissioners declare that "prisoners suffer more while awaiting trial than after conviction and transfer to the State Prison or Penitentiary"—a manifest injustice, since many of the prisoners are acquitted of crime.

With regard to the Penitentiary, the Commissioners declare that "the promiscuous intercourse of prisoners, though inevitable under the present system, is greatly to be deplored," as, of course, the comparative novice in crime is hardened and confirmed in vice by forced society with the depraved. They also question the propriety of committing to the Workhouse for intoxication and non-payment of the fine imposed therefor by the Magistrate. As to the "Out-door Poor" they think much could be done by hiring one or more houses as temporary night shelters for the homeless. And, among other improvements hoped for, are the good results expected to come from the "Labor Bureau," which has already been opened for the transfer of unemployed labor to the West.

But our purpose is not to speak at length of the many suggestions made by the Commissioners. It is rather to point out briefly the great extent and variety of their work, and to show how largely it is connected with the social order, the public morals and the philanthropy of the City.

Cuba and San Domingo—Congressional Buncombe.

The pertinacity with which Mr. BANKS urges upon the House the recognition of the Cuban insurgents as belligerents, and the acquisition of San Domingo as an addition to United States territory, is not surprising. Mr. BANKS has a fondness for patriotic display which human reason cannot fathom. He rides hobbies, and as Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee he selects hobbies of foreign origin. Alaska once absorbed his affections, and then came Ireland. Now, Cuba has the larger part of his heart, and what is left he generously gives to San Domingo. If he were to-morrow to patronize Mexico, or to propound a scheme for the purchase of the Sandwich Islands, there would be no wonder. It would be said that Mr. BANKS is still Mr. BANKS, and there criticism would end.

But Senator SHERMAN—what tempts *him* to show an itching palm concerning Cuba, and to covet entanglements on its account? He is a grave professor of the financial art, with a pardonable weakness for devices which the rough-and-ready men of the business world describe by the generic term quackery. He represents as very grave the financial condition of the country. His arguments, if they prove anything, prove that the Government and people of the United States have at present quite enough occupation for their energies in minding their own business. As to cash and its expenditure, according to Mr. SHERMAN, we have need of every dollar to pay our debts. We have not a cent that may be honestly wasted. What, then, induces *him* to travel to Cuba on a mission of recognition, and to propose a policy which, as applied by England to the Southern Confederacy, is the aggravating element of the *Alabama* quarrel?

That the Cuban difficulties are serious, none denies. Long years of exaction and oppression have engendered in the native mind an aversion to Spanish rule which only a stern hand can repress. To the American mind, the method by which Spain has governed her colonies has been abominable, and a reform in this respect is one of the things hoped for from the overthrow of the Bourbon dynasty. What then? Are there not many abominable methods of government in the world besides that of Spain in Cuba? And is it a part of our duty to pat on the back every fellow, everywhere, who calls himself an insurgent? Is it incumbent on us to become the universal protector of rebellion, and to keep a sleepless eye upon oppressed peoples, wherever they are, with the view of extending to them recognition as billigerents? If Messrs. BANKS and SHERMAN can satisfy the country that these inquiries should be answered affirmatively, we may with some propriety begin with Cuba. If they fail to invest their present propositions with the authority of a general principle, on what decent pretence shall we make that island an exception?

There is Nova Scotia—as the *Tribune* tells us—groaning and travailing under the infamy of British rule. A majority of its voters have pronounced against the scheme of confederation which British law-givers have imposed and British bayonets support. Can we consistently turn a deaf ear to the entreaties of that hapless peninsula? Some of its citizens—as we learn from our contemporary—are in Washington asking for aid and recognition: are Mr. BANKS and Mr. SHERMAN indifferent to their prayers? Can it be that they shrink from encouraging against England the spirit which commands their approval when Spain is the Power rebelled against?

Besides, if rebellion *per se* is a thing which this Republic is morally bound to stimulate, with what grace can Mr. BANKS invite Congress to respond favorably to the overtures of BAEZ, the San Domingo President? At least half of the Dominicans denounce him as a usurper and tyrant, and quite a respectable faction is in arms against him. Why don't we cry "bravo" to the black rebels, instead of entertaining the idea of buying territory which their treacherous usurper has no right to sell? Mexico, too, has an insurrection, and any number of insurgents; how happens it that we give them the cold shoulder and lavish our patronage upon JUAREZ, whose hold over the people is weaker than that of Spain in Cuba? On the supposition that rebels are always right, and the Government rebelled against always wrong,—and in the present stage of the Cuban contest, we know of no other reason for talking about recognizing the Cuban insurrection,—Messrs. BANKS and SHERMAN are strangely inconsistent. They uphold BAEZ and JUAREZ, whose right to rule by the sword is not one whit better than that of DULCE and the Government he represents, and yet conceal their spread-eagleism and lust for territory under a flimsy pretence of zeal for liberty.

The truth is, we are not in a condition to set ourselves up as champions in general of insurrection. The United States to-day owes its integrity to the vigor and success with which it has asserted the right of a Government to put down rebellion. We have demonstrated our conviction that rebellion is not of itself a good thing—that it is a thing which the authority rebelled against may put down, if it can, by any means within its reach; and that, while the struggle goes on, the mere recognition of the rebels by another Government is an offence not to be soon forgiven. Will Mr. SHERMAN or Mr. BANKS condescend to explain why we should condemn conduct on the part of Spain in its nature identical with our own course toward the Southern rebels; or what has occurred to justify our recognition of the Cuban insurgents which England and France might not properly plead in justification of their recognition of the Jeff. Davis Government?

We suspect, indeed, that the prevailing notions fostered by the Press in regard to the armed force of the Cuban insurrection are gross exaggerations. Our Havana correspondent, writing on the 13th, informs us that, from the commencement of the insurrection, "actually not a single battle has been fought;" that what are reported in the telegraphic dispatches as battles are at most skirmishes; that "any military man from the United States or Europe would classify them as reconnoissances, and sometimes as salutes exchanged between pickets." Private information from the island, received from time to time, had prepared us for the statement. Business depression, financial difficulty, and a general want of confidence, are circumstances not incompatible with this fact. "Skirmishes" are quite sufficient to produce the disastrous results reported from some districts, and to explain the alarm which has been interpreted here as proof of insurrectionary power.

From this point of view, it is evident that nothing like a plausible case for recognition yet exists. The bombastic proclamations of "The Cuban Revolutionary Assembly," issued from "The Central Department," are worthless as indications of strength.

Our duty, then, is not in the direction marked out by Messrs. BANKS and SHERMAN. Our last eight years' record is a protest against interference between a Government and the rebels whom it is trying to put down. We have by our acts declared that a Government may properly coerce rebels into submission to its authority, and we cannot without self-stultification attempt to cripple the exercise of this right on the part of Spain. We have announced that we intend to resent, as an outrage and a wrong, the recognition of rebels against ourselves, and we cannot without shame do that which we have condemned in others, even for the sake of annexing Cuba. Our own affairs, moreover, are not favorable to outside meddling. Three States are still tainted with rebellion—at least, in the judgment of Congress; and a fourth, it is said, has been imperfectly reconstructed. In the meantime, therefore, we have quite sufficient work connected with rebellion and its consequences within our own borders. And there are financial and business cares in our own household which should keep us from scanning too officiously the concerns of our neighbors.

The War Between Spain and Peru—The Peruvian Iron-Clads.

The diplomatic correspondence between Mr. SEWARD and Señor GARCIA Y GARCIA, published on another page, will be found to possess much historic interest, with reference, not only to our relations with Peru, but to general principles of international law involving the rights of neutrals.

The whole *object* of the correspondence was, of course, to determine the right of Peru to remove from our harbors to her own the iron-clads *Oneota* and *Catawba*, which she had already bought. The point regarding the defects of those iron-clads did not come into discussion; but some light is thrown on the alleged violation of international law previously attempted in aiming to procure their departure many months ago.

The Peruvian Minister makes the noticeable point in this correspondence that active hostilities between Peru and Spain ceased on the 2d of May, 1866, and have never been renewed since that day. This date he regards as the commencement of what he qualifies, by the use of a technical term somewhat new in this signification, as "an imperfect peace." If this point be well founded, it may justify to some extent the original action of Peru in procuring for herself the two iron-clads from our Government. In addition, Mr. GARCIA Y GARCIA makes the point that a *second* proof of the cessation of hostilities is furnished by the known fact that in January of last year Chili and Spain jointly asked permission of Great Britain to remove from its harbors armed vessels for the military service of both, which permission was granted. We adverted to this remarkable occurrence at the time, but then regarded it rather as a joint agreement of belligerents than as evidence of the subsistence of "an imperfect peace." Accordingly, Mr. GARCIA asked our Government, in his note of April 14, 1868, to declare, in effect, that a state of war no longer subsisted between Peru, Chili, Ecuador and Bolivia on the one hand, and Spain on the other.

Mr. SEWARD replied by saying that he must first give a hearing on the question to the other belligerent parties, especially as Spain continued, in a recent collateral diplomatic correspondence, to assert the existence of the state of war.

Upon this, Mr. GARCIA quoted a great number of alleged precedents from our history and diplomacy in support of the authority we possessed to make this declaration, as also from general international law. At length, on the 8th of September, 1868, the permission to remove the two monitors was accorded. Mr. GARCIA, in behalf of his Government, made the formal promise "that the monitors will leave for the Pacific, without attacking or in any way molesting any vessels or possessions of Spain, and without committing any act of hostility, directly or indirectly, against the flag of that nation, either at sea or on land, to which they may not be provoked."

Such is the outline of the correspondence; and it reveals plainly the fact that the anticipated *détour* of the monitors to aid the Cuban insurgents was never for a moment thought of.

The Irish Church Bill and the Tory Opposition.

Mr. GLADSTONE'S bill for the disestablishment of the Irish Church came up for the second reading on Thursday night, and in accordance with the customary procedure of the House of Commons, the Opposition took the occasion to announce the course they intended to pursue. Contrary, however, to the usual custom in such cases, Mr. DISRAELI himself, as leader of the Opposition, opened the debate on behalf of his party, and moved as an amendment that the bills "be read a second time that day six months"—that being the Parliamentary form commonly made use of in order to prevent the passage of a measure before the House. As Parliament will not be sitting on "that day six months," the success of the amendment would be equivalent to the rejection of the measure. Generally speaking, a motion of this nature is placed in the hands of a member of the second rank, in order that the leader of the party may hold himself in reserve for a critical point in the debate. But in this case Mr. DISRAELI, himself, having regard to the importance of the question under consideration, which, he agreed with Mr. GLADSTONE, was one of the most gigantic ever brought before the House, moved the amendment. The debate will certainly last a week, but it is said that there is a tacit understanding to the effect that a division shall be taken before the Easter Holidays, so that Thursday next may be looked to as the day on which the fate of religious inequality in Ireland will probably be decided.

It is almost needless to say that there can be but little doubt as to the result. Mr. GLADSTONE possesses a majority of 115 in a House of 658, elected on an appeal to this country, made on the question of the Irish Church exclusively. The bill which he has introduced is the result of the consultations of a Cabinet which comprises representatives of every section of the Liberal Party, and which has met with the hearty approval of every organ of the Liberal Press. There can be no excuse for mutiny, or even for lukewarmness in the Liberal ranks, and no professed Liberal who deserts his party in a question of such paramount importance can ever regain the confidence of his constituents. Under these circumstances, the result of the division is all but a foregone conclusion.

The tactics of the Tories appears to be simple enough. They fight, of course, with the courage of despair, and will probably divide with sullen obstinacy on every occasion available under the forms of the House. Their leaders still raise the cry of "confiscation," and hoist the old Church and State standard, but few rally round it who are not personally or pecuniarily interested in the maintenance of the threatened Establishment. They attempt to divert attention to the land question in Ireland, as more urgent in itself, and more likely to furnish an opportunity for giving proof to the Irish people of the determination of England to deal with her interests in a just and conciliatory spirit. But they are evidently fighting against hope, and the tone of Mr. DISRAELI'S speech itself shows that such is the case. There will be a week of brilliant oratory on both sides of the House, and the great measure of justice will be triumphantly carried.

MINOR TOPICS.

It is certainly with pleasure we witness the independence of judgment which is now exercised by Republican members of Congress. Even upon such important measures as the Tenure-of-Office act we find the Republican Senators very evenly divided, and no one has any more thought of excommunicating Senator MORTON from the party because he demanded the repeal of the law, than they have thought of excommunicating Senator EDMUNDS because he demands its retention. Upon other questions of greater or lesser consequence, a similar display of independent judgment has recently been made both in the Senate and the House. The relentless party tyranny has given place to a larger spirit of political independence, and it is now possible for a member to entertain and express his own true sentiments on public questions without being denounced as a heathen or a publican.

We do not suppose that any of the politicians had Miss VAN LEW on their "slates" for Postmistress of Richmond. And yet her appointment by President GRANT has given the highest satisfaction to the country.

The *World* is now engaged in trying to prevent the establishment of a monarchy in this country. Let it keep on laboring in this direction, and it will be sure to escape failure in one of its labors.

The Police, in their march up Broadway, have done something in the way of removing impediments, and made some praiseworthy parings on each side. There are other streets, too, where they could do something to ease public locomotion—Catharine-street, for instance, on the north side, and the Bowery, on the east side, to say nothing of twenty other clogged localities in which the passengers usually walk by stratagem and would be very much obliged by a little more of the sidewalk.

Our Havana correspondent speaks in the most contemptuous way of the "battles" that have been fought in Cuba, and of the heroic deeds that are bombastically described in the Spanish journals of Havana. He says that actually not a single battle has been fought in Cuba, or is likely to be fought; that the battles we hear of are at most skirmishes, and that any military man would classify them as reconnoissances, and sometimes as salutes exchanged between pickets. The truth is that this has all along been quite patent to those careful readers of the daily news who have had an intelligent understanding of the real state of affairs. There is an extensive insurrection in Cuba, and there has been a good deal of small, desultory fighting, but this is the whole matter.

The Democratic papers are indignantly harping on the fact that the Albany Burgess Corps, the "crack" company of our State capital, marched behind the colored "Boys in Blue" of Washington on the late Inauguration Day parade, and were, in fact, at the rear of the procession. The indignant Democratic editors evidently did not do their duty in the army during the war, or they would not so soon have forgotten that the rear of a column is the second place of honor.

Kentuckians have some strange political notions. Their Legislature—a strongly Democratic body—lately refused by a large majority to pass a bill encouraging emigration to the State. The main argument against the bill seems to have been that an influx of Northern and foreign laborers might in time overthrow the political status of the State! Alas for old Kentucky!

Sometimes the progress of social change goes too fast,—as at the period of the French revolution. The question now is, have we not been too hasty in laying the up-town pig-sties in ruins and driving their occupants out of the City? Have we not been diminishing the hygiene of the metropolis? Here we have Mr. CUSHMAN, of New-Jersey, Mr. TRAPPEN and others, declaring that piggish odors and emanations are healthy or harmless; and Mr. MCGROW, of Forty-first-street, says that when he is weak and fatigued, he regains his customary vigor when he walks among his pigs and sheep and snuffs the congenial air. All this is very staggering. What can the Board of Health do in such a case? Nothing, but go with the majority, the "tyrant majority," as it is called. The greater number of people don't like pig in the nose—except, indeed, when it comes in a modified condition—from a frying-pan.

It is now, more than ever, a question of daily wonder what the Spanish Cortes will do next. An old Spanish proverb—or one that probably had its rise in the marches of Navarre—says, "Let my death come from Spain!" implying that it would come slowly. And certainly the Spaniards are taking the matter very easily—more like Dutchmen than Celts. The daily cable, that hastens so many other things, cannot make the Cortes any quicker; and Monday's news for Spain would always do pretty well for next Saturday. "Under which King, Bezonians? Speak or die!"

The Havana *Almanac* for last year has tables of the population of Cuba and its different departments and civil districts for the year 1867. At that time, the total population of the island was 1,370,000—of which 764,500 were whites and 605,550 were colored. Of the colored population, 226,000 are designated as of the free class, but this includes, beside the freemen of negro blood, a large number of Chinese. More than three-fourths of the population, white and black, is in the Western Department, where the insurrection has, as yet, hardly made its appearance.

The Democratic papers are from day to day demanding to know what right President GRANT has to a Brigadier-General as his private Secretary. They forget that the late President JOHNSON had a naval Captain and an army officer detailed to duty in the Executive Mansion; and that the senior Major-General of the army served as chief of staff to President LINCOLN.

Fashionable circles hereabout will be agitated by the news we had yesterday from Havana, that Prince LOUIS of Bourbon, who recently eloped from Paris with a young Havana belle of American birth, has been telegraphically directed by the belle's father to proceed to New-York and get married. The father desires the wedding to be celebrated very privately, and our Havana correspondent fancies that thus Fifth-avenue will be spared the agony of witnessing the marriage of a Prince and a pretender to the Spanish Crown, he being the brother of Don CARLOS and a grandson of CHARLES the Fifth. But does any one believe that our fashionable society can be put off in this way on such an occasion?

Nevada is exercised over a musical hen of the black Spanish breed, which will sing at her mistress' command, and after uttering the first notes will spread her wings, stretch her neck, and pour forth a strain that lacks nothing in earnestness however much it may in melody. We call the attention of the *Opera Bouffe* to this hen.

A curious piece of old English history assumes new interest in the letter of our Florence correspondent, published to-day. It is over five hundred years since EDWARD III. of England borrowed from certain Florentine bankers the twelve millions of dollars which he needed to carry on his wars of ambition in France, and which he afterward repudiated to the immense loss and distress of the citizens of Florence. If there is any honor in the English Government, it is certainly bound to indemnify the creditors whom it swindled,—even though the swindle took place five centuries ago.

AMUSEMENTS.

Theatrical.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.

It seems to be Mr. ROBERTSON'S peculiar gift to invest all his auditors with a personal interest in his dramas. He selects the briefest titles to express the strongest emotions, such as "Caste," "Ours," "School," "Home," &c. Recently he has dissipated to the extent of calling a piece "My Lady Clara," but this is direct enough for any one who has read TENNYSON'S poem of "Lady Clara Vere de Vere," on which in some way, the work is said to be founded. He has, however, recovered from the orgy. His last play is called "Dreams," now in rehearsal at the Gaiety Theatre in London. There is a great deal of trade-tact in this happy naming of simple compounds. Every one, for instance, is interested in the word School. The imagination at once carries us back to those bright days when it was our privilege—without knowing it—to be soundly birched, or that joyous period when our heart was broken with an utterly unreciprocated passion for a mature and unapproachable female. We renew our youth in every remembrance of the scenes through which it passed, and drops slowly, but pleasantly, down the valley of life to that point when we become children again in sad earnest. The school life depicted by Mr. ROBERTSON relates to the fairer sex, and all the principal scenes take place within the sacred walls or in the neighborhood of Cedar Grove Seminary, an establishment presided over with much docility by *Dr. Sutcliffe*, and with some acerbity by his wife. When the scene opens the girls are taking a rational recreation in the glade. Pretty little groups of beauties are on every side, and in the centre stands *Bella*, whose poverty is, of course, inferred from the extreme neatness of her dress. She is, in fact, a dependant scholar, very much beloved by the Doctor, but severely regarded by the female head of the establishment. *Bella* stands because she is in the act of reciting the gallant story of the Prince in "Cinderella," and of the marvels that were performed by the good fairy in that kindly work. The girls interpolate remarks, of the sagest, because most direct, character. Nothing can be more captivating than this scene. Several gentlemen enter, and the school marches back to its quarters. This ends the act, but an incident occurs which we shall relate and then take leave of the plot. *Jack Poynts* (Mr. LESTER WALLACK) and *Lord Beaufoy* (Mr. OWEN MARLOWE) are on a hunting expedition. One of the young ladies, *Bella*, separated from her companions, is pursued by a bull, and *Jack Poynts*, who has an excellent breech-loader, fires, and brings the animal down. *Bella*, in the hurry of her escape, loses a shoe, and this becomes the dangerous trophy of *Lord Beaufoy*. It is the cause of bringing him face to face with *Bella*. The prettiest scenes ensue, resulting in an elopement and a marriage. Act two is confined to an amusing examination scene at Cedar Grove House, wherein it is clearly demonstrated that the sex possesses an awful memory for the reign in which the rites of matrimony were first established. In the third act there is straightforward love-making within the sacred limits of the academy grounds. In the fourth act everything is realized to the satisfaction of every one.

There has been a great clamor about the originality of this plot. Heretofore Mr. ROBERTSON has been irreproachable on the score. He is always likely to be, for it is in dialogue, rather than construction that the gentleman excels. There is just sufficient motion in his pieces to carry them to a close—the real animation proceeds from the characters. The reading of "Cinderella" and the incident of the lost slipper naturally direct the attention to the old story, but so far as the subsequent interest is concerned, *Bella* might just as well have read from another volume and dropped a dainty glove in her flight from the ox. Nothing would have been in the least degree disturbed in the ensuing scenes, for the Cinderella incident—save in its effects—is very brief.

It is needless, however, to pursue the subject. Mr. ROBERTSON has acknowledged his indebtedness to Herr BENEDEX'S play of "Aschenbiodel" for the frame-work of his "School," and no charge of larceny can attach to him. Under these circumstances it became imperative that Mr. BOUCICAULT, who is the Jonathan Wild of the drama—at once the cleverest thief and the greatest detective—should insist on its absolute originality. He has written a couple of amusing letters on the subject, which ought by this time to have convinced Mr. ROBERTSON that it was he (Mr. R.) and not BENEDEX that supplied the German drama with its coarser threads. There is something very amusing about Mr. BOUCICAULT, whose great talents we leave entirely out of the question. When he cannot benefit a person he patronizes him, and when he can do neither he establishes a "row." What can be more irritating to Mr. ROBERTSON, who is generally very original and always honest, than to have this wholesale plunderer vouching for his integrity!

Albeit one of the most charming pieces ever brought out in New-York, there is very little to criticise in "School." The scenes, as we have hinted, are quite closely connected. There is no contrast whatever, and hardly a climax, for, from the first, every one anticipated a double wedding. What Mr. ROBERTSON has aimed to accomplish, and what he has accomplished thoroughly, is to make us acquainted with the dispositions of a number of amusing people. There is no subtle analysis of character, but with a light, free, facile touch, he dashes off the outlines of a number of cheery, graceful specimens of human nature.

The dialogue is humorous, because quick, felicitous and kindly. It very rarely glitters with the cold gleam of wit, which is an article of manufacture, like boots, boats, velocipedes and most other things; nor does it expand with what is known as imagination, which is more often a mode of expression than a gift of nature. Its most agreeable characteristic is that it flutters round every topic, without alighting too heavily on any single one. The replies are ingenious, quaint, odd and always prompt. Mr. ROBERTSON is particularly happy in the distribution of his dialogue, an art which few dramatists understand so well. Although there are twenty characters in the comedy there is an apt line for each of the number.

Of the two male *rôles*, Mr. LESTER WALLACK courteously selected the worst for himself. The cynical *Jack Poynts* is a good enough sketch, and nothing can be better than the *nonchalant* way in which Mr. WALLACK played it. But the weight of female interest is on the side of *Lord Beaufoy*. That languid swell is from the beginning unselfish. He is *blase* even in his love-making, but he is never uncertain, while *Poynts* hardly knows himself at all. Mr. OWEN MARLOWE made his first appearance at this establishment in the *rôle* of *Lord Beaufoy*, and played it effectively, but in a way that seemed to us to be somewhat too exhausted. The part of the heroine was intrusted to Mrs. CLARA JENNINGS, and it could hardly have been in better hands. The graceful bearing of the lady, and her bashful, but intelligent conception of the part, gave to it more than ordinary fascination. Miss EFFIE GERMON (also a first appearance at this theatre) was *Naomi*, a wild, erratic, good-natured girl, and looked the part excellently. The part, however, does not sit easily on her fair shoulders. It lacks the rollicking fun which Miss GERMON delights to display. Mrs. VERNON was, of course, unexceptionable in the part of *Mrs. Sutcliffe*, and Mr. GILBERT was good as her spouse. There are two character-parts in the piece, *Beau Farintosh*, a blind, blundering dandy of the olden time, Mr. CHARLES FISHER, and *

THE REVOLT AT SING SING.

The Convicts All Recaptured—One of them Wantonly Shot—Condition of the Wounded.

From Our Own Reporter.

SING SING, Friday, March 19, 1869.

A full description was given in to-day's TIMES of the gagging of two keepers in Sing Sing Prison yesterday, including an account of the death of one of them and the escape of five convicts, named CHARLES LOCKWOOD, *alias* Henry O'Niel, GEORGE LOWDEN, *alias* Decker, JOHN BURNS, HENRY MULLER and JOHN MULREY, who perpetrated the outrage. Details were given of the capture of BURNS and MULLER in the afternoon, and the announcement was made that O'NEIL had also been taken at a later hour, and remained at Tarrytown badly wounded. Between 3 and 4 o'clock this morning, Constable J. LAWRENCE, of Tarrytown, assisted by ARCHIBALD BUSHELL, of that village, effected the capture of the remaining two—LOWDEN and MULREY—on the turnpike below Tarrytown, while they were hastening toward New-York. They had been for hours lying in wait for them, and as the moon disappeared, were gratified. Rushing from the side of the road, they, with the usual expletives, ordered them to surrender. BUSHELL collared LOWDEN and held a pistol to his nose. On being told to throw up his hands, he did so, and the two walked along the road in the wake of LAWRENCE, who was giving chase to MULREY. The latter finally ran through a garden gate, and turned upon LAWRENCE, who was near at hand. LAWRENCE ordered him, with a few vigorous oaths, to throw his arms up or he would shoot him. MULREY complied, and LAWRENCE shouted to BUSHELL to hasten with his prisoner. When he arrived the two runaways were linked together with handcuffs, and the capture was consummated. Both were painfully surprised on hearing of the death of the keeper, CRAFT, and MULREY said that he would have risked his own life rather than that harm should have reached him. The expressed desire of both, as it had been of MULLER and BURNS, was simply to silence him till they could escape.

O'NEIL had accompanied MULLER and BURNS, and hidden in the barn of Mr. JACOB STORMS, with them. He also lay under the hay when they were discovered there, but his presence was not known. Some time after the two prisoners and their captors had departed, Mr. STORMS returned. O'NEIL, thinking that his fellow-fugitives had informed upon him, and fearing violence if taken by a prison guard, emerged from the hay in his shirt and gave himself up. His coat and pantaloons, which had been wet in the river and were uncomfortable, he had laid on the hay to create an impression that he had left the premises. Shortly after his surrender, CHARLES SULLIVAN, a prison guard, and a Mr. WILLIAMSON, of Tarrytown, approached hastily. According to the statement of Mr. STORMS, received through our informant, SULLIVAN was much excited, and said, on coming to the spot, "——— you, you, I'll shoot you." O'NEIL threw up both hands instantly and cried, "For God's sake, CHARLEY, don't shoot me!" "Yes, I will," retorted SULLIVAN, and fired into the prisoner's stomach. O'NEIL staggered and sank to his knees, when SULLIVAN kicked him in the neck and side, saying, "——— you, put on your clothes." "Oh, CHARLEY," said O'NEIL, "this will kill my poor mother." Desperately hurt, he fell groaning to the floor, and was carried to Tarrytown. Mr. STORMS, according to our informant, was highly indignant at the conduct of SULLIVAN, and authorized the former to express his sentiments publicly, offering at the same time to make affidavit to all the particulars above stated. The excuse of SULLIVAN was that he understood that one of the runaways had a revolver, and seeing O'NEIL hide one hand behind him, thought he held it, and fired in self-defence. Mr. STORMS denied this, and said that both of O'NEIL's hands were elevated. The sufferer was taken to the prison early this morning. He was not expected to live, and received the visit of a priest. His agony was great, but he appeared to improve this afternoon, and a recovery was thought possible. None of the prisoners had weapons except LOWDEN, and his was but a pen-knife.

THE NOON REVOLT.

As accounts were conflicting at the prison, last evening, respecting the noon revolt, the Press, in the few moments allowed for collating materials, could not obtain full details. The facts were, that, hearing of the morning escape, James McCauley suggested suddenly to Philip Allen, Henry Miller, Timothy Donovan, Edward McGynn, Michael Donnelly, Daniel O'Connell and William Buck, who were working in the yard, that they should follow him and escape. MCCAULEY entered the guard-house, and, presenting a piece of paper as a pass, seized Mr. SCHEY, the guard, as he read it, threatening to stab him with a knife he had brought from the shoeshop if he made a noise. His confederates rushed in, broke open a closet, and took out a musket, a carbine and a revolver, the only arms there, and the entire party went on board the lumber sloop *Exchange*, lying at the wharf. Captain I. L. QUICK, with REUBEN KIDD, a young man of nineteen in his employ, and two men, were dining in the cabin. MCCAULEY pointed a musket at them, saying "stay down there or I'll blow your brains out." The party remained, in consequence, discreetly quiet. During this time the other seven were loosening the vessel and trying to hoist the sails. Shortly after, MCCAULEY said, "Come out of there, and steer this boat, or I'll shoot you." All, therefore, came upon deck, except KIDD, who first took a revolver from his valise, and fired it twice at MCCAULEY, hitting him in the back and thigh. MCCAULEY ran forward, and the Captain, wresting his musket from him, struck him violently to the deck by blows on the head. KIDD, in the meantime, shot PHILIP ALLEN in the flesh of the thigh, and blazed away at two men who were hoisting a sail, till his revolver was exhausted. Both received trifling flesh wounds. The bell having been rung, and the guards and keepers summoned, the men were all secured, and the vessel which had drifted from the dock was refastened.

MCCAULEY and ALLEN both lie in the hospital, the former being badly but not dangerously hurt. He is but twenty-one, a printer by trade, and well educated. His face has a mild and honest expression, although he was sentenced last Summer to twenty years' imprisonment for burglary in the first degree. He told the writer, with a smile, that liberty was sweet, and that a man would risk much to obtain it. The rest of the prisoners, with O'NEIL's companions, are all confined in darkness, except MULLER, who has been exonerated, as having been forced by threats of death into his course.

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MINER—HAMLIN.—At the residence of the bride's mother, at Stonefield, Mass., on Thursday, March 18, 1869, by Rev. N. Gale, D. D., of Lee, Mass., assisted by Rev. Mason Noble, of Sheffield, THEODORE F. MINER, of Albany, N. Y., to Miss GEORGIANA, youngest daughter of Mrs. A. P. HAMLIN.

MCPHERSON—PARKHURST.—On Friday, March 19, by Rev. John Wm. Trimble, Major and Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel SAMUEL W. MCPHERSON, (late N. Y. Vol.) to GRACE M., second daughter of Albert Parkhurst, Esq., all of this City.

DIED.

BRISTOL.—At the residence of her son-in-law, John Catlin, Elizabeth, N. J., on Thursday, March 18, Mrs. ELSEY BRISTOL, relict of the late Charles B. Bristol, of Rochester, N. Y., aged 86 years and 10 months.
The remains will be taken to Rochester, N. Y., for interment.

BULL.—Suddenly, JESSE BULL, in the 84th year of his age.
His remains were taken to Ballston Spa for interment.

BRAILLY.—On Thursday morning, March 18, of Bright's disease, EMILE ANDRE COSIO, aged 21 years, son of Dr. Cosmo and Elizabeth Brailly.
The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral services at St. Ann's Church, 8th-st., on Saturday morning at 9½ o'clock. The remains will be taken to Keyport, N. J., for interment on arrival of the *Matteawan* Saturday afternoon.

CRARY.—At Newburg, on Tuesday, March 16, Mr. HUMPHREY H. CRARY, aged 53 years.
The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend his funeral on Sunday at 1 P. M., from the residence of his brother, Palmer Crary, No. 453 West 24th-st.

CHURCH.—On Thursday, March 18, WILLIAM THOMAS CHURCH, in the 52d year of his age.
The friends of the family and members of Albion Lodge of F. and A. M., are requested to attend the funeral at his late residence, No. 34 Leroy-st., on Sunday, the 21st inst., at 1½ o'clock.

COTTRELL.—At Marine Settlement, Ill., on Monday evening, March 8, 1869, Capt. THOMAS B. COTTRELL, formerly of New-York, in the 69th year of his age.

LEWING.—On Thursday, March 18, GEORGE W., only son of Henrietta P. and the late Geo. W. Ewing, aged 19 years.
The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral from the Stanton-st. Baptist Church, on Sunday, the 21st inst., at 1 o'clock.

FELLOWS.—In Buffalo, on Sunday, March 14, Mrs. HARRIET FELLOWS, relict of Abram Fellows, formerly of this City, aged 76 years.

GRAVES.—At Milburn, N. J., CATHERINE WARNER, relict of Rhodolphus Graves, late of Kinderhook, N. Y., in the 86th year of her age.

HOYT.—On Friday, March 19, JOHN W. HOYT, in the 63d year of his age.
His friends and relatives are respectfully invited to attend the funeral at St. Bartholomew's Church, corner of Great Jones-st. and Lafayette-place, on Sunday, the 21st inst., at 1½ o'clock.

HICKOK.—At the residence of his brother, in Harlem, N. Y., on Friday, March 19, 1869, FRANCIS S. HICKOK, aged 36 years.
Notice of funeral in Monday's papers.

IRVING.—At Tarrytown, on Thursday, March 18, HENRY OGDEN IRVING, aged 62 years.
The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend his funeral at 1½ o'clock this day, (Saturday,) at Christ Church, Tarrytown.

LYON.—On Thursday morning, March 18, 1869, ELIZABETH, relict of James H. Lyon, aged 82 years and 2 days.
Relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend her funeral from her late residence with her son, Wm. P. Lyon, No. 41 West 47th-st., on Saturday morning at 11 o'clock. The remains will be taken to Tarrytown for interment by the Hudson River Railroad, 1:30 train.

MAXWELL.—On Wednesday, March 17, ANN ELIZA BOWNE, wife of Wm. H. Maxwell, M. D., No. 44 East 12th-st.
The relatives and friends are invited to the funeral at the Church of the Ascension, 5th-av. and 10th-st., on Saturday, the 20th inst., at 12 o'clock.

OSBORN.—On Thursday, March 18, at Norwalk, Conn., CHARLES OSBORN, in the 77th year of his age.

PARSONS.—On Friday, March 19, AGNES, wife of Henry Parsons, and eldest daughter of John Turnbull.
The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, from her late residence, No. 150 2d-av.

PHELPS.—At Hartford, Conn., on Thursday, March 18, GUY R. PHELPS, M. D., aged 67 years.
Friends of the family and of his brother, George D. Phelps, of this City, are invited to attend the funeral at Simsbury, Conn., on Monday, the 22d inst., at 1 o'clock P. M. The 8 o'clock train on the New-York and New-Haven Railroad will arrive in time at Simsbury.

REID.—On Thursday evening, March 18, after a short illness, MARGARET JANE, wife of Thomas M. Reid.
The funeral will take place from her late residence, No. 236 East 50th-st., on Monday, March 22, at 10½ o'clock A. M. The relatives and friends are invited to attend without further notice.

RENOUF.—In Brooklyn, on Sixth day, 19th inst., MARTHA T. RENOUF, in the 65th year of her age.
The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral from her late residence, No. 359 State-st., on Second day (Monday) afternoon at 2 o'clock.

SMITH.—At Madison, N. J., on Friday, March 19, MARIA D., wife of Samuel B. Smith, and daughter of John J. Cisco.
Relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral from her late residence, at 1 P. M. on Monday, the 22d inst.

SANDAVER.—On Thursday, March 18, CAROLINE A., daughter of John and Mary Ann Sandaver, in the 22d year of her age.
The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend her funeral at the 7th-st. M. E. Church, between 2d and 3d avs., on Saturday, March 20, at 1½ o'clock.

SMITH.—On Thursday, March 18, JER. T. SMITH, JR., only son of Margaret C. and Jer. T. Smith, aged 10 months.
The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral from the residence of his parents, No. 20 West 43d-st., on Saturday, the 20th inst., at 2 o'clock.
Peoria, Ill., papers please copy.

TAILLANT.—At Morrisania, Westchester County, N. Y., on Thursday, March 18, ELIZA M. HUNT, wife of C. L. Taillant, aged 60 years.
The funeral will take place at the residence of her son-in-law, G. G. Yvelin, No. 8 West 20th-st., at 1½ o'clock on Monday, March 22. Her relatives and friends are invited to attend without further notice. Her remains will be taken to Cypress Hills Cemetery.

VAN ORDEN.—On Wednesday morning, March 17, ANDREW VAN ORDEN, in the 72d year of his age.
The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, from the Hanson-place M. E. Church.

WEIGHT.—On Thursday, March 18, of consumption, GEORGE W., only son of James and Amelia Weight, in the 26th year of his age.
The relatives and friends of the family are requested to attend the funeral services at the residence of Jeremiah Pangburn, Esq., No. 66 Perry-st., this (Saturday) evening, March 20, at 7½ o'clock. The remains will be taken to Tarrytown for interment on Sunday morning at 8 o'clock.

ALBION LODGE NO. 26, F. AND A. M.—Brethren: You are hereby summoned to attend a special communication of the Lodge at their rooms, northwest corner of Greene and 4th sts., on Sunday, March 21, at 12 o'clock sharp, to pay the last tribute of respect to the remains of our late worthy BRO. WM. T. CHURCH, P. M. Brethren of sister Lodges are fraternally invited to attend.
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REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

The Exchange Salesrooms yesterday were very well attended. Messrs. MULLER, WILKINS & Co. had the most important sale, and about their stand was congregated the largest number of persons. The bidding was brisk, and the market was quite as firm as yesterday. The property on Hudson River and Spuyten Duyvel Creek, after a spirited contest, was finally sold for $190,000. The property Nos. 60, 62, 64 and 66 Cannon-street, sold for $47,000. The house and lot No. 30 Stanton-street for $15,200. Other pieces of property sold by this firm brought equally good prices, and their entire sale amounted to $358,150. The Brooklyn property sold by Messrs. JOHNSON & MILLER, BLEECKER, SON & Co., and MULLER, WILKINS & Co., was also disposed of very satisfactorily.

To-day very little will be done. Messrs. E. H. LUDLOW & Co. will sell the English basement house No. 51 West Ninth-street, and Messrs. BLEECKER & Co. will sell, at the Court-house at White Plains, N. Y., several pieces of Westchester County property, belonging to the estate of the late Alderman TAYLOR.

Monday will commence a very busy week. Messrs. BLEECKER & Co. have some valuable property fronting the west side of Central Park, on Fifty-eighth and Fifty-ninth streets, formerly part of the Talman estate; also property on Fifty-fourth and Sixty-third streets, and thirty-five plots of land at Saugatuck, Conn. Mr. WILLIAM KENNELLY has an executor's sale of property No. 189 East Broadway, northeast corner of Chrystie and Delancey streets, No. 175 Henry-street, and some valuable property at North New-York.

Messrs. MULLER, WILKINS & Co. have an extensive sale of building lots on the West Side, between Central Park and the Grand Boulevard; also a number of western Central Park lots, located on Eighth and Ninth avennes, and Seventy-second and Seventy-third streets.

Other pieces of property in this City and Brooklyn will be offered.

During the week several very desirable pieces of property will be offered, and the sales will be quite as extensive as any we have had for some time past.

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3-story brick house and lot No. 256 W. 38th-st., lot 25x98.9, Mr. Weise 19,500
2 2-story brick houses, 3-story brick factory, 2 brick shops and stable, and 4 lots, Nos. 60, 62, 64 and 66 Cannon-st., each lot 25x100, Mr. Ely.. 47,000
3-story brick house, No. 30 Sheaf-an-st., near Christie-st., lot 21.5x99.10, A. Stumm 15,200
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3-story brick house and lot No. 244 40th-st., s. s., lot 18x98.9, J. G. Cohen 10,150
2½-story brick house and lot No. 447 Grand-st., near Ridge-st., lot 20x53, J. H. Hughes 13,400
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Court-st., w. s., 275 ft. n. of Degraw-st., 25x112.6. nom.
Douglass-st., s. s., 280 ft. e. of Smith-st., 10x100... 500
Douglass-st., s. s., 300 ft. e. of Smith-st., 50x100... 1,800
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Herkimer-st., s. s., 25 ft. e. of Stone-av., 50x100... 940
Herkimer-st., s. s., 75 ft. e. of Stone-av., 25x100... 470
Herkimer-st., s. s., 100 ft. e. of Stone-av., 50x100.. 940
Herkimer-st. and Stone-av., s. e. corner, 25x100.. 650
Lawrence-st., w. s., 156.8 ft. s. of Sherman-st., 33.4x76 400
Little-st., e. s., 62.7 ft. n. of Evans-st., 61.10x25x 67.5x25 1,000
Little-st., e. s., 87.7 ft. n. of Evans-st., 25x73x25x 67.5 1,000
Malcom-st., s. s., 200 ft. e. of Bedford-av., 27.6x 100 4,100
McDonough-st., s. s., 270 ft. w. of Reid-av., 55x 200 4,600
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Penn-st., s. s., 260.10 ft. w. of Harrison-av., 20.2x 100 775
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Penn-st., s. s., 361.4 ft. w. of Harrison-av., 20.2x 100 800
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Powers-st., s. s., 82 ft. e. of Smith-st., 18x56.. 3,250
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West-st., lots Nos. 19,20, Sarah A. Suydam's property, New-Lots..... 700
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Bedford village to Cherry-st. road, w. s., Truman Clark's, 41 acres..... $5,000

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Harrison.

North-st. to Mamaroneck road, w. s. of O. Dougherty's property, 9 acres..... $3,750

Mount Pleasant.

Tarrytown to Pleasantville road, J. W. Patterson's property, 56 728-1,000 acres..... $45,000

Ossining.

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Central-av., e. s., Townsend Poole's property, 23 44-100 acres..... 117,200
Prospect-av. and Waverly-st., s. w. corner, 100x125..... 2,500

Yonkers.

Garden-st., n. s., adjoining Mary McGrath's, 25x 125..... 550

NEW-JERSEY.

Newark.

Brunswick-st., s. s., 162 ft. w. of D. O. Scott's land, 17x112..... 850
Kinney-st., n. s., M. Williams', 28x72..... 1,300
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South Broad-st., w. s., 100 ft. s. of Vanderpool-st., 115x246..... 10,000
Indefinite locality, adjoining B. Irvin's, 113x165. 1,800

Clinton.

Lyons-av., s. w. s., n. cor. of W. Lyon's, about 9 acres..... $3,200
Two indefinitely located plots, 19 75-100 acres and about 9 acres..... 25,000

Montclair.

Haight-st., s. w. cor. J. G. Crane's, 158x197..... $6,500

Orange.

Central-place, w. s., 102 ft. s. w. of J. Trippie's line, 50x154..... $600

Jersey City.

Brunswick-st., s. e. s., 60 ft. n. of South 7th-st., 40x75..... $1,700
Grand-st., n. s., 150 ft. w. of Washington-st., lot No. 64..... 4,335
Grand-st., n. s., 123 ft. w. of Washington-st., 25x 100..... 4,250
York-st., s. s., 80 ft. e. of Washington-st., 20x80.. 4,500

Hoboken.

Jefferson and 1st sts., n. e. corner, 25x80..... $6,000
Marshall-st., w. s., lot No. 19, block No. 9, Coster's, 25x100..... 525

Hudson City.

Chestnut-av. and Henry-st., easterly cor., 47x100. $2,900
Franklin-st., w. s., lot No. 15, block No. 21, city map, 25x92..... 500
Henry-st., s. s., 400 ft. w. of Waldo-av., 100x100.. 5,500
South-st., n. s., lot No. 2, block No. 5, city map, 25x100..... 650

Bergen.

Bergen-st., s. s., lots Nos. 16 to 24 inclusive, Van Winkle's map..... $7,500
Monticello-av., e. s., lots Nos. 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, block No. 3, near Fairview-av..... 4,000

Bayonne.

Avenue B and 2d-st., through to Kill von Kull.. $30,000

Greenville.

Pamrepan-av., w. s., 107 ft. n. of Newark Bay, 50x114..... $650

CITY REAL ESTATE.

A GREAT CHANCE—FOR SALE CHEAP, the two-story basement and cellar high-stoop house, centre of City, No. 57 East 115th-st., near 4th-av., $6,000; if not sold soon rent $600; six rooms; the fourth drab-stone front house on East 116th-st.; four drab-stone houses east of 3d-av., hard wood finish, $20,000; finest houses and location in the City. Apply as above to the owner.

CHATHAM-SQUARE AND WORTH-ST.—For sale, one lot southwest corner of Chatham-square and Worth-st., 33 feet front on Chatham-square; also two gores on Worth-st., near Chatham-square, made by the extension of Worth-st. For particulars and terms apply to ROBERT S. LUQUEER, No. 67 Murray-st.

TWELFTH-ST. NEAR 5TH-AV.—FOR sale or to let furnished, a first-class full width high-stoop house, for sale at $40,000, or to let to a small private family at $500 per month for one year from May next; furniture costly and very complete, none but private family need apply. HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

A FIRST-CLASS RESIDENCE IN THE City of Newburg for sale; house has all the modern improvements; beautifully located on Grand-st.; lot, 50x150, with brick stable, grounds finely laid out with choice fruit and shrubbery. BALDWIN & IRVIN, No. 55 Liberty-st., New-York.

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G. LESPINASSE, No. 35 John-st.

A VERY DESIRABLE AND WELL-located 3-story h. s. brick house, 19x45x100, No. 149 46th-st., between 6th-av. and Broadway; fine order; modern improvements; occupied by owner; price and terms reasonable.

A VERY NEAT AND IN EVERY WAY perfect 3-story h. s. brick house, No. 236 47th-st., 150 ft. from Broadway; $15,000; to be seen from 11 A. M. to 1 P. M. Apply to owner, No. 149 W. 46th-st., before 12 M. and from 6 to 9 P. M.

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FOR SALE—ELEGANT THREE-STORY brown-stone house, high stoop, West 22d-st., between 5th and 6th avs.; perfect order throughout; freehold; 23x57.8; $35,000, a bargain. HAZARD, APTHORP & CO., Real Estate Brokers, 110 Broadway.

FOR SALE—AT A BARGAIN, A GOOD house, four-story, 25 feet front, in 54th-st., near 5th-av.; must be seen to be appreciated; in perfect order.
WM. H. RAYNOR, No. 6 Pine-st.

HARLEM.—A FAMILY GOING TO EUROPE have desirous of selling their brick house, ten rooms, handsomely furnished, including a piano. For particulars apply to RANDELL C. PORTER, 1,951 3d-av.

FIFTH-AV.—TWO FIRST-CLASS FULL size houses for sale, on 5th-av., above 42d-st. Apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

NOS. 333 AND 361 WEST 23D-ST., for sale or to lease. Apply to JOHN HOEY, No. 59 Broadway.

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THE COMING EVENT.

Prepare for it, if you are prudent, wise and sensible. It is the sale by
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ON MONDAY, MARCH 22,
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divided into building lots. This property is level, attractive, healthy, and in all respects desirable, surrounded by first-class improvements, and located near
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Prepare for the coming event, and this great sale.

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On the northwest corner of Clinton and Lafayette avs., some of those elegant blocks of four-story high-stoop brown-stone front French-roof houses, 21, 22 and 23 feet wide; lots 90 to 110 feet. The 23-foot house is a corner, with elegant bay window, southerly exposure. These houses have been built by days' work in the most thorough and substantial manner, under the supervision of the owner; all modern improvements replete; black-walnut front and vestibule doors, stairs and staircasings of the most elegant design; black-walnut sash and polished plate glass; dining-room and halls wainscoted in black walnut; independent laundry, two bath-rooms, three water closets, eight washbasins, butler's pantry, &c.; about eighteen rooms, twelve pantries, and any amount of drawers for table linen, &c.; hot-air furnaces; 15 to 20 minutes by Greenpoint cars from Fulton Ferry; five to seven by the Prospect Park grand entrance. Price $25,000, $30,000 and $35,000, about one-half cash. Must be seen to be appreciated. Immediate possession. Apply on the premises to THOMAS FAGAN, Owner.

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OF
THE GREAT SALE,
By order of GEORGE A. POWERS, Esq.,
OF
200 SPLENDID BROOKLYN LOTS,
The best unimproved property now in the market; to be sold at auction
BY JOHNSON & MILLER,
ON TUESDAY, MARCH 23, AT THE EXCHANGE,
Are now ready at the office of the auctioneers, No. 23 Nassau-st., New-York, and No. 157 Montague-st., Brooklyn. Also, at the office of R. & WM. M. INGRAM, No. 16 Court-st., Brooklyn.

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A block of 30 lots, fronting Prospect Park and on 9th-av., probably the highest and best ground fronting any part of the park, (near the Litchfield mansion.) The location is not surpassed, probably not equaled, on any portion of the Brooklyn or New-York Central Park. Price asked, $10,000 per lot; to be sold as an entirety.

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The entire front on 6th-av. and thirty-one street lots; lots on 5th and 6th sts., Brooklyn, between 5th and 6th avs. To be sold in one plot at $2,000 each. This property, both on the Park and on 5th and 6th sts. and 6th-av., is among the very best in Brooklyn, and is recommended to investors for a speedy rise. Apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

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Are requested to make a personal examination of the lots situated on the block bounded by Ryerson-st., Grand, Flushing and Myrtle avs., to be sold under direction of George A. Powers, Esq., by JOHNSON & MILLER, on TUESDAY, March 23, at the Exchange.
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NEAT COTTAGE—22x30, WITH EXTENsion 18x20; all filled in with brick; ten rooms; all improvements; lot 25x100; Gates-av., first house east of Stuyvesant. Inquire of W. A. FITCH, No. 245 Broadway, New-York.

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The desirable manufacturing property on the block bounded by Flushing, Park and Grand avs. and Ryerson-st., to be sold at auction by
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COUNTRY REAL ESTATE.

FOR SALE OR TO RENT, ON STATEN ISLAND—A large brick house, Italian style, with ten acres of land; hot and cold water through the house, with gas and all modern improvements; green-house and stables. The grounds are laid out with shrubbery, forest trees, and abound with the choicest fruits. These premises are among the finest on the Island, commanding a beautiful view of the Bay, Hudson and East Rivers, and situated at Clifton, about five minutes' walk from the ferry. Inquire of C. BAINBRIDGE SMITH, No. 115 Broadway.

FOR SALE—ONLY TWO MILES EAST OF Brooklyn, and seven miles from the New-York City Hall, 160 acres of the most desirable land ever offered; it is all high, warm and dry, under a high state of cultivation, and easy of access by four railroads; this property is beautifully situated for residences for parties desiring to escape the high rents of the City, and its nearness to New-York makes it a most valuable plot for cutting up into city lots. Capitalists desiring to purchase such property will find it to their advantage to examine this at once; its vicinity to New-York, its accessibility and the natural advantages of the ground, render it perhaps as safe and valuable an investment, at the price, as can be found within twenty-five miles of the City. It will be sold either in one plot or several, as may be desired. For particulars, &c., apply to J. H. STURTEVANT, No. 19 Broad-st., Room No. 18.

FOR SALE—IN RAHWAY, AN ELEGANT country seat within one mile of the depot; seventeen trains daily each way. The grounds, on an elevated plateau, about twenty-seven acres, are well laid out, with garden, lawns, fruit trees, grape-vines and fish-pond. The house is of brick, finished to resemble brown stone, with brown-stone finish and sills; three stories and basement; about forty-five feet square, with double stairs from top to bottom, and other modern improvements. The house and numerous outbuildings are first-class. The property is known as the Bramhall estate, and will be sold under value, on liberal terms, to close several interests. Apply to FLATT, GRAHAM & CO., Rahway, or D. STEWART, No. 140 Duane-st.

FOR SALE—AT LONGMEADOW, MASS., four miles from Springfield, a fine country seat; six acres of choice land, with a handsome modern-build brick house, slate roof, with 13 (mostly large) rooms; barn with stable, carriage and shop-room, arranged in good order; centrally located, in the immediate vicinity of church, post-office, schools, &c., on high ground, with fine view of Connecticut River and Valley and the Berkshire Hills; abundance of fruits of all varieties; a pair of fancy matched horses, also, for sale; to be seen at the Massasoit Stables, Springfield, Mass. This place is offered low. For particulars and directions about visiting the place apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

FOR SALE—AT MORRISTOWN, NEW-JERsey, the country place of the late E. Boonen Graves, containing fifty acres and upward, about 1¼ miles from the depot. There are on the premises a very large and costly mansion-house, with all modern improvements; farm-house, barns, grape-house, green-house and ice-house, filled, and all other necessary outbuildings; a stream of never-failing water conducted into order. In addition to the former access to and from the place, a new road, passing under a railroad bridge, has been lately made, thus obviating the necessity of crossing the railroad tracks. For further particulars apply to R. S. EMMET, Executor, No. 54 William-st., or at the farm-house on the premises.

ATTENTION! ALL WANTING FARMS.—CHEAP FARM AND FRUIT LANDS, VILLAGE LOTS, WATER POWERS FOR MANUFACTURING, for sale at Bricksburg, Ocean County, New-Jersey, 44 miles from New-York, on railroad to Philadelphia. Soil fine loam, superior for all crops. Country just rolling enough for healthy access; high, dry and proverbially healthy. Water soft and pure. No fever and ague. Sold only to actual settlers, on easy terms. Price per acre, $25 and upward. For circulars and maps, send free, address E. CAMPBELL, No. 183 Broadway, New-York, or D. W. BRIGHAM, Agent, Bricksburg.

FOR SALE—AT ELIZABETH, N. J., TWO French-roof high basement houses, just finished; twelve rooms, gas, hot and cold water throughout; range and heater all set; stationary tubs, water-closet, bells, speaking tubes, &c. Under drawing, No. 183 all other modern improvements. N. B.—These houses are first-class, and only three minutes' walk from main depot. Price $11,000. Apply to JAS. C. WOODRUFF, Esq., No. 108 Franklin-st., New-York.

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FOR SALE OR TO LET—FURNISHED, for the season or a term of years, the residence of Mrs. John Tyler, at Castleton Heights, Staten Island, beautifully located on Broadway, near the junction of Clove-road and near Snug Harbor; fine views; mansion commodious and nicely furnished; grounds embrace 12 acres. For particulars apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

FOR SALE—AT NEW PROVIDENCE STATion, Morris and Essex Railroad, 24 miles from New-York, country seats, houses, cottages, farms, building sites, and lots, near depot, in a beautiful and healthy part of New-Jersey, free from fever and ague. Apply to W. M. B. CROSBY, or EDWARD G. BLACK, No. 25 Pine-st., New-York, or to WALTER F. JONES, New-Providence Station, N. J.

PASSAIC, N. J.—A DESIRABLE RESIdence for sale, within three minutes' walk of station, on a corner; house is 24x36, 2½ stories, containing nine rooms, two baths, two water closets, furnace; lot 51x150, nicely improved and shaded; great quantities of young fruit trees; $7,500; $850 yearly rent has been offered this spring.
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WESTCHESTER COUNTY.—550 ACRES within one hour of the City, on the New-Haven Railroad, one-fourth of which is on the line of the new railway soon to be built, known as the Harlem and Portchester Railroad, meeting the 2d-av. at Harlem River. A choice investment. Apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

FOR SALE AT NEWARK, N. J.—A three-story brick and stone house with extension; 8 bedrooms, and all modern conveniences; hot and cold waters from railway station and 45 from Broadway; a small stable in rear. Price $19,000; terms easy; possession immediately. J. B. VAN WINKLEN,
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FOR SALE AT LITCHFIELD, CONN., a very desirable place, with about six acres of land all in fine order, and partially furnished, known as the "Old Parsonage;" house has modern improvements; near Post Office, &c., &c., and on Prospect-st.; price $10,000; if not sold will be rented for $700 for the season or year. Line of HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

FOR SALE—A COSY GEM COTTAGE, NEAR Rye; 10 rooms; all water; perfect order; fine Sound, on Boston turnpike; neighborhood unexceptionable; depot and steamboat quarter of a mile; three-quarters of an acre; splendid garden; evergreen fruit-trees, &c. Price $11,000. Apply to LYON, No. 33 Cortlandt-st.

FOR SALE OR TO LET—A THREE-story and basement house, with all the modern improvements, fronting on Vanvorst-square, Jersey City; also, four cottage houses, two-story and basement, situated at junction of Monticello and Bergen sts., Jersey City. Apply to or address of L. D. LANDIME, No. 225 Grove-st., Jersey City.

GREAT BARGAIN.—A THREE-STORY and fine high subcellar brick house in Jersey City, five minutes' walk from ferry; all modern improvements, in very fine order. Price $6,000; terms favorable. Apply by letter to WM. H. HAYNES, Jersey City, N., who will call.

BARGAINS IN CITY OF RAHWAY. One hour from Cortlandt-st.; 22 trains each way; four tasty houses, large lots, only $2,500 each; also, beautiful house, fine grounds, filled with fruit, only $8,000; also, choice selection of lots, from $150 to $500; terms very easy. FLEMING, No. 146 Fulton-st.

BERGEN POINT.—A. D. MELLICK, JR. & BRO. will sell at auction, on THURSDAY, March 25, the most desirable lots in all Bergen Point, fronting on the Boulevard, 100 feet wide, and next to the river; handsome improvements on every side; see auction column. Full particulars at No. 26 Pine-st.

ORANGE, N. J.—VILLAS, VILLA SITES and farms, a great variety, beautifully situated one hour from N. Y., for sale low. Also, country seats and houses to let for the season, or year, by BLACKWELL & SMITH, 248 Broadway, N. Y., 9 to 11 A. M.; Orange, corner Main and Cone sts., 1 to 5 P. M.

FOR SALE—THE HOUSE AND LOT NO. 67 Wall-st., New-Haven, Conn., late the residence of Arthur Tappan, deceased; lot 50 feet front by 120 feet deep. For terms apply to CHAS. A. WHITE, No. 5 Broad-st., New-York, or GARDNER MORSE, New-Haven, Conn.

FOR SALE OR TO LET—A NEAT PLACE in Rye, near the depot; house 34x28, two stories, with wing and basement; stable, &c., good garden, fruit and shade trees, and two acres. Rent, $750; terms of sale made easy. Apply to B. R. WESTERN, *American Journal of Mining*, No. 37 Park-row.

KAOLIN PROPERTY — VALUABLE Kaolin property at Raford Furnace, near Baltimore, Md., will be sold at auction at Baltimore, Md., on MONDAY, March 29. Full particulars and terms of PHELPS, FALLON & CO., No. 5½ Pine-st.

FOR SALE—AT GREENWICH, CONN., five minutes' walk from depot, house 25x46; 11 rooms, 2½ stories; lot 82x200. Price $5,500; one-half down; the balance to remain on mortgage. Inquire of JOHN D. ELLIOTT, at depot.

NEWPORT, R. I., ORANGE, N. J., NAHANT, MASS., BRISTOL, R. I.—Furnished cottages for Summer season; all fine situations; from $400 to $4,000. HAZARD, APTHORP & CO., Real Estate Brokers, No. 110 Broadway, corner Pine.

$6,000.—FLUSHING, L. I., HOUSE 24x32, lot 50x150 feet, containing ten rooms, on Sanford, fifth house east of Bown-av., five minutes' walk from depot. Apply on the premises.
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NEW COTTAGE AT ASTORIA HEIGHTS, overlooking the City and convenient to four ferries; price $4,500; terms easy. SAMUEL T. CORLIES, corner of Washington and Murray sts., New-York.

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DWELLINGS TO LET.

PROSPECT PARK PROPERTY TO LET.

Consisting of three-story brick house, with improvements, fine stable with billiard-room and table; also, five extra lots, well laid out with vines, shrubs and choice fruits. Will be rented on moderate terms to a good tenant. Possession immediately. For particulars inquire of GEO. W. SIMPSON, No. 127 South Oxford-st., Brooklyn, or of SIMPSON & CLAPP, No. 38 South-st., New-York.

A DESIRABLE COUNTRY RESIdence to rent on the Hudson, near Scarborough depot, between Tarrytown and Sing Sing, a furnished two-story attic and basement house, 47 feet square, with water and all conveniences; farm-house, stables, ice-house, laundry, green-house, and cold grapery; fruit and shade trees. The place fronts on the river, and embraces 60 acres of land, nearly all improved, chiefly in fruit and grass, and will be rented for 18 months; an Episcopal Church within half a mile of the house. For full particulars apply to E. H. LUDLOW & CO., No. 3 Pine-st.

TO LET—FURNISHED, THE FOUR-STORY brown-stone front high-stoop house No. 133 West 46th-st., between Broadway and 6th-av.; if not soon rented furnished, it will be let unfurnished; the house will be put in good order for a good tenant. For further particulars apply before 9 o'clock in the morning, or after 6 o'clock in the evening, to B. HAXTUN, No. 44 West 14th-st., or during the day at No. 41 South William-st.

TO RENT—IN ASTORIA, L. I., TEN MINutes' walk from the ferry, on high ground, a new and elegant house, with all the modern improvements; barn, stable and three acres of ground, finely laid out in lawn, garden, &c., with an abundance of choice fruits. Also, a neat cottage on the place. This place will be rented either furnished or unfurnished, with or without the horses and carriages, for the season or longer. Apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

TO LET—AT WASHINGTON HEIGHTS, ON the Hudson, a fine three-story frame house, about 18 rooms, with about 23 acres, suitable for gardening and grazing; fine view of the Hudson; location, about half a mile from Fort Washington Station; rent $2,000 per annum. Apply to
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TO LET OR FOR LEASE—A HANDSOME town and country residence combined; in perfect order, with all the modern improvements; handsome grounds, coach-house, stables, &c., situated on Washington Heights, within 10 minutes' drive of the Park; rent $2,500 per year. Apply to G. A. BRADBROOK, No. 175 West 45th-st.

TO LET OR FOR SALE—IN BROOKlyn, a two-story, basement, attic and sub-cellar brick dwelling, with water, gas and water-closets. Apply to JOHNSON & MILLER, No. 157 Montague-st., Brooklyn, or to SAMUEL LEA, United States Court Building, Nos. 39 and 41 Chambers-st., New-York.

TO LET—AT NEWTOWN, LONG ISLAND, furnished house containing five bedrooms, bath, water-closet, kitchen, laundry, parlor and sitting-room; plenty shade and small fruit; two large vegetable grounds; within ten minutes' walk of depot; half hour's ride of New-York by cars every hour. Apply at once at 13 Wall-st.

FURNISHED HOUSE TO RENT, per month or year, on reasonable terms, in the village of Cazenovia, Madison County, N. Y. It contains thirteen neatly furnished rooms; has good garden; pleasantly situated, within five minutes' walk of Cazenovia Lake. City reference given. Address Box No. 169 Cazenovia Post Office.

TO RENT, FURNISHED, ON 57TH-AV.—AN extra and very large and elegantly furnished house, for one year, at the expiration of which period, quite likely, a further lease of one, two, three or more years can be had. Rent to a private family only $10,000 per annum. Inquire of HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

TO LET—LOWER PART OF HOUSE NO. 216 East 45th-st., near 3d-av., consisting of about ten rooms, basement and parlor floor; in splendid order; gas fixtures included; has all improvements and separate entrance. House private. ROBERT G. RICHARDS, No. 953 Broadway.

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GRACE CHAPEL—FREE CHURCH—14TH-st., opposite Academy of Music, Rev. WALTER DELAFIELD, Minister in charge.—Services 10½ A. M., 3 and 7½ P. M. Sunday School 9 A. M. and 2½ P. M. Rev. W. A. MATSON, D. D., will preach at 7½ P. M. Easter anniversary of Sunday School, Sunday, March 28, 4 P. M.

ST. TIMOTHY'S P. E. CHURCH.—(Entrances on 55th and 57th sts., west of 8th-av.) WEEK BEFORE EASTER.

besides the daily morning service at 10 o'clock, there will be a sermon on GOOD FRIDAY MORNING, at 10½ o'clock, and on every evening at 8 o'clock.

MONDAY—Rev. WILLIAM A. MCVICKAR. Subject—*Christ's Valuation of the Soul.*

TUESDAY—Rev. Dr. BEACH. Subject—*The Trial Before Pontius Pilate.*

WEDNESDAY—Rev. CLARENCE BUEL.

THURSDAY—Rev. Dr. STAUNTON. Subject—*The Triumphs of the Cross.*

GOOD FRIDAY—Rev. Dr. MUHLENBERG. Subject—*The Three Crosses.*

SATURDAY—(Easter Even)—Rev. Prof. SEYMOUR, D. D. Subject—*Christ's Descent Into Hell.*

GEORGE JARVIS GEER, D. D., Rector.

ST. ANN'S FREE CHURCH, 18TH-st., near 5th-av.—On SUNDAY Rev. S. F. HOLMES will preach at 7½ A. M. and 3 P. M. for deaf mutes, and Rev. H. H. COLE at 10½ A. M. and 7½ P. M. On MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY before Easter there will be services at 8, 12 and 7½. At the evening services there will be sermons by Rev. Drs. DIX, DUNHAM, PRICE and FORBES. GOOD FRIDAY, services at 7½ and 10½ A. M. and 3 P. M. for deaf mutes, and 7½ P. M.; at the latter Rev. SAMUEL COOK, D.D., will preach. Easter Even, services at 8, 12 and 5.

COURSE OF SERMONS IN BEHALF of the Free Church Reading-Room and the objects associated with it:

Sermon, March 21, in Trinity Chapel—*Review and Object of the Movements in the Church*, by Rev. F. C. EWER, D. D., of Christ Church.

Sermon, April 4, in the Church of the Transfiguration—*The Protestant Episcopal Church: Her Position as Contrasted with Her Faith*, by Rev. C. M. PARKMAN.

CHURCH OF THE REDEMPTION, formerly at 14th-st., opposite the Academy of Music, now worshiping at Somerville Hall, corner of 14th-st. and 5th-av. MORNING service at 10½; EVENING service at 7½; Sunday School at 9 A. M. Seats free. Strangers invited. Rev. URIAH SCOTT, Rector.

OLD JOHN-ST. M. E. CHURCH.—The New-York and Brooklyn Local Preachers' Association will conduct the services MORNING and EVENING, Sermon at 10½ A. M. by Rev. JAMES MCGEE, of Brooklyn. Addresses at 7½ P. M. All local preachers and the public generally are invited. Seats free.

NEW-YORK PORT SOCIETY.—Preaching in the Mariners' Church, corner of Catharine and Madison sts., by the Pastor, Rev. E. D. MURPHY, SUNDAY at 10½ A. M., and by the associate Pastor, Rev. BENJ. F. MILLARD at 7½ o'clock P. M. Preaching also at the Mission, corner of Water and Dover sts. at 3 o'clock, and at No. 27 Greenwich-st. at 3½ P. M.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, CORNER of Henry and Scammel sts.—Services 10½ A. M. and 7½ P. M. The Rector preaches in the MORNING. Subject—*The Practical and Devotional Elements of the Church.* Rev. W. H. COOKE, Assistant Minister of Trinity Parish, preaches in the EVENING. Subject—*The Church of Christ the Realization of the Figurative Church of Israel.*

FRENCH EVANGELICAL CHURCH, No. 9 University-place, between Waverley-place and 8th-st.—Divine Service on SUNDAY, 21st inst., at 10½ A. M., in the chapel of the Union Theological Seminary. A sermon will be preached by Rev. A. GORY, from France.

SECOND ADVENT CHURCH, COOPER Institute, Room No. 18.—Preaching on SUNDAY by Elder W. S. CAMPBELL, at 10½ A. M. and 3 P. M. Subjects—*Prophecy on the near Coming of Christ*, and *the More Excellent Life to be Obtained at His Coming.* Seats free.

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN Church of the Holy Trinity, on 21st-st., between 5th and 6th avs., Rev. G. F. KROTEL, D. D., Pastor.—The rite of Confirmation will be administered on SUNDAY, 21st inst., at 10½ A. M. Evening service at 7½.

CHURCH OF THE STRANGERS, Lasell Chapel of the University, Washington-square. Rev. Dr. DEEMS is to preach at 10½ A. M. and 7½ P. M. Sunday School at 2½ P. M., and adult Bible class at 4 P. M. Free seats. Special attention and cordial invitation to strangers.

AT THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH of Sea and Land, corner Market and Henry sts., preaching by Rev. EDWARD HOPPER, at 10½ A. M. and 7½ P. M. All seamen, and those residing in the lower part of the City, are invited to attend. Seats all free.

GREENE-ST. M. E. CHURCH, BE-tween Broome and Spring sts.—Rev. J. S. INSKIP, Pastor, will preach on SUNDAY, at 10½ o'clock A. M. and 7½ o'clock P. M. The evening service will be followed by a prayer meeting. Strangers and others are invited to attend. Seats free.

CHURCH OF THE HEAVENLY REST, 5th-av., above 45th-st., Rev. R. S. HOWLAND, D. D., Rector, Rev. T. K. CONRAD, D. D., Associate Rector.—Divine service every SUNDAY at 10½ A. M. and 4 P. M. Strangers will be provided with seats on application to the sexton.

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CHRIST'S PRAYER FOR THE Dead and Living.—A sermon on the above subject by Rev. WILLIAM L. LOOMIS, Pastor of the Antioch Baptist Church, No. 264 Bleecker-st., on SUNDAY EVENING at 7½ o'clock. Morning service at the usual hour; seats free. All are invited.

ALLEN-ST. METHODIST EPISCOPAL Church, between Rivington and Delancey sts.—Preaching by the Pastor, Rev. L. S. WEED, at 10½ A. and 7 P. M. Evening subject—*Heaven—What shall we be there?* Prayer meeting at 3 P. M. Seats free. All invited.

ST. PETER'S, WEST 20TH-ST.—THE Rector, Rev. Dr. BEACH, will preach on SUNDAY EVENING. Subject—*The Evil Results which have been Produced by the Divisions Among Christians, and How they are to be Removed.* Service to begin at 7½ o'clock.

ST. PAUL'S REFORMED DUTCH Church, Rev. ALEX. R. THOMSON, D. D., Pastor, will meet for worship, please God, in Lyric Hall, 6th-av., between 41st and 42d sts., on SUNDAY, 21st inst., at 10½ A. M. and 4 P. M. Sunday School and children's service at 2½ P. M.

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CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION, Madison-av., corner 45th st. Rev. E. O. FLAGG, D. D., will preach on SUNDAY MORNING, at 10½ o'clock, and at 3½ P. M. Sunday school at 2 o'clock P. M.

THE NEW-ENGLAND CONGREGA-tional Church, Rev. LYMAN ABBOTT, Pastor, has removed to Rutgers Chapel, 4th-av., between 41st and 42d sts. Preaching on the SABBATH at 10½ A. M. and 4 P. M. Sabbath School at 2½ P. M. Seats free.

ADVENT MEETINGS AND LOVE Feast.—Elder S. T. VANDERBECK, of Hackensack, N. J., will hold the Love Feast at the Church, 13 West 24th-st., at 3 o'clock P. M., and will preach at 10½ A. M. and 7½ P. M.

COMING TO ZION—BISHOP SNOW, OF the Second Advent Church, will preach in the University, Washington-square, on SUNDAY, at 3 P. M., from the following Psalm: *The Gathering of Israel to Jerusalem.*—Mic. ii., 12, 13.

LEE-AV. REFORMED CHURCH, Brooklyn, E. D.—Rev. BYRON SUNDERLAND, D. D., of Washington, D. C., will preach in this Church SUNDAY, (21st,) morning and evening, at the usual hours, corner Lee-av. and Hewes-st., Brooklyn, E. D.

DUANE METHODIST EPISCOPAL Church, Hudson-st., near Spring.—Divine services on SUNDAY, the 21st, at 10½ A. M. and 7 P. M., conducted by the "Praying Band," Brother SAMUEL HALSTED, leader. Come and welcome.

REV. DR. TYNG, OF ST. GEORGE'S Church, will preach at the opening services of the Church of the Mediator, in Hlasko Hall, southeast corner of 34th-st. and 4th-av. (entrance on 34th-st.,) on SUNDAY EVENING, at 7½ o'clock.

THE SEVENTH ANNIVERSARY OF the Young People's Prayer Meeting of Spring-st. Church, near Varick-st., will be held on SUNDAY EVENING, March 21, at 7½ o'clock. All are cordially invited to attend.

REV. W. H. PENDLETON, PASTOR of 53d-st. Baptist Church, having returned to the City, will preach SUNDAY MORNING and EVENING, and administer the ordinance of baptism in the evening.

ALL SOULS' CHURCH, CORNER OF 4th-av. and 20th-st.—Rev. Dr. BELLOWS will give the second lecture of his course on SUNDAY EVENING, March 21, at 7½ o'clock. Subject—*Denying Christ.* The public are invited.

AT COOPER INSTITUTE, IN THE large hall, free preaching on SUNDAY, March 21, at 10½ A. M. and 7½ P. M., by Rev. JOSEPH H. ALLEN. All persons are cordially invited to attend. Seats free.

REV. DR. MONTGOMERY WILL preach in St. George's Chapel, No. 408 East 19th-st., on SUNDAY EVENING, March 21, at 7½ o'clock. Collection for P. E. Orphan Asylum.

FORTIETH-ST. PRESBYTERIAN Church, near Lexington-av., Rev. J. E. ANNAN, Pastor.—Preaching on SUNDAY, at 10½ A. M., and 7½ P. M.

THE CHURCH COMMITTEE OF THE Young Men's Christian Association will hold a meeting at the rooms THIS EVENING at 8 o'clock; an interesting occasion may be anticipated.

BLEECKER-ST. UNIVERSALIST Church, corner of Downing-st., Rev. DAY K. LEE Pastor.—Services on SUNDAY at 10½ A. M. and 7½ P. M. Evening, a Palm Sunday Sermon.

REV. S. A. COREY, D. D., WILL preach in the Murray Hill Baptist Chapel, Lexington-av., near 37th-st., SUNDAY, at 10½ A. M., and at 7½ P. M.; Sunday School at 2.

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YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSO-ciation, No. 161 5th-av., corner 22d-st.—Monthly meeting MONDAY EVENING, at 8 o'clock. Young men and the public generally invited.

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FORTY-SECOND-ST. PRESBYTERIAN Church.—God permitting, services SUNDAY, at 10½ A. M. and 7½ P. M., by Rev. W. A. SCOTT, D. D. Evening subject—*The So-called Religion of Humanity is no Religion at all, and Worse Than None.*

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Jane-st., between 8th-av. and Hudson-st.—Preaching on SABBATH, by the Pastor, Rev. GEO. D. MATHEWS, at 10½ A. M. and 3 P. M. Prayer meeting at 7½. Sabbath Schools at 9 and 2.

HALL OF THE HISTORICAL SO-ciety, 2d-av., corner of 11th-st.—Presbyterian Congregation.—Services on SABBATH at 10½ A. M. and 7½ P. M.; preaching by the Pastor, Rev. GEORGE S. CHAMBERS. Sabbath School at 9 A. M. and 2½ P. M.

REV. DR. WASHBURNE, RECTOR OF Calvary Church, will preach on SUNDAY EVENING, March 21, in the Church of the Holy Apostles, corner of 28th-st. and 9th-av., before the Young Men's Association of the parish.

LAY PREACHING—ADDRESSES BY business men will be given at Brookes' Assembly Rooms, No. 361 Broome-st.; at 81st-st., near Broadway, and at Bethesda Chapel, No. 501 3d-av., at 3½ o'clock P. M. SUNDAY. Seats free; all are invited.

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WANTED—A SITUATION BY A COM-petent young woman as laundress; would do the cooking, washing and ironing of a small private family; no objection to country; good reference. Call at No. 337 East 21st-st., in bakery.

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WANTED—A SITUATION BY A YOUNG Protestant woman as waitress; good City references; no objection to the country. Can be seen for two days at No. 439 West 26th-st., second floor, back room.

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WANTED—A SITUATION BY A PROTEST-ant young woman, who wishes to do the housework in a small family; satisfactory City reference. Address or apply to No. 514 East 14th-st., in the bakery.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE YOUNG woman a situation as first-class chambermaid and waitress. Call for two days at her last employer's, No. 154 East 30th-st.

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ALBANY.

Passage of the Tax Commissioners' Bill by the Senate—Adjournment Till Monday Evening.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Friday, March 19, 1869.

The New-York Tax Commissioners' bill underwent a final discussion in the Senate this morning, and passed by the following vote: Yeas—Messrs. Banks, Beach, Bradley, Campbell, Cauldwell, Creamer, Crowley, Edwards, Folger, Genet, Hale, Hubbard, Humphrey, Kennedy, Mattoon, Morris, Nichols, Nicks, Norton, Pierce, Stanford, Tweed—22. Nays—Messrs. Chapman, O'Donnell, Parker, Thayer—4. Absentees—Messrs. Graham, Morgan, Murphy, Palmer, Van Patten, Williams—6. Mr. PARKER offered a substitute that the present Commissioners be continued in office five years, and that thereafter the appointment of the Commissioners be given to the Board of Supervisors. He also offered several amendments tending to diminish the patronage of the Comptroller as provided in the bill, all of which was voted down by large majorities. He said that it had been intimated that the new Commissioner to be appointed by the Comptroller was to be non-partisan; but they had no assurance that such would be the case. On the contrary, the bill declared vacant all the positions of Deputy Commissioners, clerks, &c., now held by Republicans in the Tax Office, and put no limit upon the number that might be appointed under the new Commissioner. The result of the passage of the bill would be to increase still further the grand army of Democratic office-holders who now hold sinecure berths in New-York, and who perform no official duties except to draw their monthly salaries.

Senator HALE supported the bill, and took occasion to say that he, as well as the Republicans of the interior generally, were becoming tired of State legislation for the purpose of trying to cure Democracy in New-York City. If the taxpayers of that City would condescend to take some interest in their own affairs, they might, he believed, rectify the evils of which they complain without the aid of the Legislature. They were sufficient in number, wealth and influence, in his opinion, to control the elections in New-York, and put such men in office as they liked, and he thought it was time they combined to do so, instead of coming to the Legislature year after year to ask for special legislation to protect them from the consequences of their own negligence.

The passage of this bill which, though pretending to be non-partisan, is really a Democratic measure, by so large a majority in the Senate, is a surprise to every one here and will go far toward determining its fate in the Assembly. It will also encourage the Tammany Ring to try and put through other jobs of theirs now pending before the Legislature. The cool impudence with which the New-York Democracy push their pet party schemes before a Republican Legislature is really amusing, and indicates a confidence in their ability to buy up their opponents which would be surprising to one not acquainted with the marketable material that they have to operate with. It is not impossible that the bill published in the TIMES to-day, to make the public schools of New-York subservient to the "ring," may yet pass this Legislature. And if the public complain, when it is too late, the Democracy will only have to say: "Well, it was done by a Republican Legislature."

The Assembly did little else during the morning session to-day but transfer bills from the Standing Committees to the Sub-Committee of the Whole.

Both Houses have agreed to adjourn over to Monday evening.

THE CENTRAL RAILROAD.

The bill introduced by Mr. HARTMANN provides that the directors and officers of the New-York Central Railroad shall report annually the profits realized from its operations. Also that the Treasurer of the said Company shall pay to the State Treasurer, to be applied to the taxes of the State, all the accumulated profits of said Company as reported by the Board of Directors in the month of December last, over ten per cent. on the capital stock of said Company.

NEW-YORK JUVENILE ASYLUM.

Senator TWEED introduced a bill providing for the annual collecting by tax of $125, and proportionally for any fraction of a year, for each child which shall be committed to the care of said Asylum.

NEW MARKET BUILDING.

Senator NORTON introduced a bill providing for the erection of a new market building on the site of the present Washington Market, Mayor HALL to appoint four Commissioners for the erection of the proposed building. A public stock of $1,000,000, for the erection of the building, to be issued, bearing interest at seven per cent. per annum.

EXTENDING OUR CITY BOUNDARIES.

Senator CAULDWELL introduced a bill providing that all that part of Westchester County lying south of the town of East-Chester, and on a direct line running from the southwesterly corner of said town to the Hudson River, at a point one-half of a mile north of the centre of the drawbridge over the Spuyten Duyvil Creek, shall hereafter form part of the City of New-York. The Central Park Commissioners shall cause a proper survey to be made of all that part of Westchester mentioned above, including the laying out of streets, grades, public squares, &c.

THE HIGHLAND SUSPENSION BRIDGE.

Mr. CREAMER introduced a bill providing that the above-named Company may erect a bridge on piles across the Hudson, between the High Bridge and Macomb's Dam Bridge. Said bridge shall be built with a draw of the same dimensions of the draw of other bridges, of sufficient size to accommodate vessels navigating said river. S.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE....ALBANY, Friday, March 19.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. CREAMER—Authorizing the New-York and Highland Suspension Bridge Company to build a bridge across the Harlem River.

By Mr. MORRIS—To amend the Excise law.

By Mr. PIERCE—To amend the law relating to trustees.

By Mr. HALE—Authorizing the Whitehall and Plattsburg Railroad to take increased fare.

By Mr. NICKS—For a free bridge over the Chemung River, in the town and County of Chemung.

By Mr. NORTON—For a new market on the site of Washington Market, New-York, the Mayor to appoint four Commissioners for such purpose.

By Mr. BANKS—To amend the law relative to the protection of purchasers of real estate upon sales by the Surrogate's order.

By Mr. CALDWELL—Extending the boundaries of the City of New-York, so that it takes in all of Westchester, Southtown, East Chester, and in a direct line running from the southwesterly corner of East Chester to the Hudson River, at a point one-half mile north of the centre of the present channel, through the draw bridge, over the outlet of Spuyten Duyvil Creek. The Park Commissioners are to make a survey of the same and lay it out in streets.

By Mr. TWEED—Relative to opening, widening or extending streets. It requires the City to foot two-thirds of the public expense where the public good is subserved.

REPORTS.

For an appropriation for the completion of Willard Asylum for Insane. Regulating the sales of theatre tickets in New-York and Brooklyn. Authorizing Oswego, Cayuga and Wayne Counties to aid in the construction of the Lake Ontario Shore Railroad.

The bill removing Genesee College to Syracuse passed by a vote of 19 to 3.

Mr. PARKER called up from the table the bill relating to Tax Commissioners in New-York, and moved to recommit it with instructions to report a substitute, which he offered. It extends the term of the present Commissioners five years from the passage of the bill, and at the expiration of such time the Board of Supervisors will appoint successors, also to hold the office for five years. Vacancies are to be filled by the remaining Commissioners.

Mr. PARKER's motion to recommit the Tax Commissioners' bill was lost—5 to 21.

Several other amendments were lost, and the original bill was passed by a vote of 22 to 4.

The bill incorporating the Deaconess Institution of the Evangelical Lutheran Church was passed.

The bill regulating the sale of tickets for theatres was recommitted to the Committee on Municipal Affairs.

The Senate then went into Executive Session, after which it adjourned to Monday evening.

ASSEMBLY.

REPORTS.

For the better protection of persons traveling on railroads; regulating the price of freight and passenger fare on the Plattsburg and Whitehall Railroad; to amend the State Excise Law; for the consideration of the House; for a new Court-house and jail in Queens County; for the improvement of the navigation of Paquet River; consolidating the German and French Baptist Church of New-York; to facilitate the possession of land after judgment in actions for domain; to extend the time for the collection of taxes in Richmond County; to regulate the terms of office of notaries public; making the pay of County Treasurers uniform; amending the charter of Oswego; for paving the streets of Brooklyn; making appropriations for canal repairs; incorporating the village of Tottenville; to close part of McDougal-street, in Brooklyn; to amend the charter of the Poughkeepsie Water Company.

On motion of Mr. HIXON, it was resolved that the new Capitol Commissioners shall report to the Legislature the amount of money drawn by them from the Treasury, the amount used, the number of men employed, what plan has been adopted, the probable cost of the construction thereof, with the items and other particulars.

Mr. HASBROUCK called up the resolution of Mr. H. M. CLARKE, that the President and Treasurer of the Erie Railway report within ten days, in writing, under oath, to the Speaker of the House, the exact amount of stock of said Company now outstanding; also, the amount, in detail, of funded and floating debt of said Company, such information to include the date of the passage of the resolution. Adopted.

On motion of Mr. HARTMAN, the House resolved that, when it adjourned this evening, it be until Monday evening.

RESOLUTIONS OFFERED.

By Mr. PLUNKETT—That a Special Committee be appointed to report the condition and danger to life of the Forty-second-street and Weehawken Ferry, and that the Committee examine particularly into the safety, strength and fitness of the steam ferry-boats used by said Company. Laid on the table after debate.

By Mr. PORTER—That a committee of five be appointed to inquire into the conduct of the Sailors' Snug Harbor, and the nature of the trust under which property is held, and report what legislation is necessary concerning the same. Tabled.

Mr. RAY's resolution reducing the toll on coal going from tidewater, was called up and tabled.

Mr. H. RAY offered the following:

Resolved, That the Canal Board be respectfully requested to reduce the toll on all anthracite coal going west on all canals belonging to the State to the lowest point allowed by law.

Laid on the table after debate.

The Hell Gate Pilot bill was recommitted to the Committee on Commerce and Navigation.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. H. M. ELY—To incorporate the Fire Department of Binghamton.

By Mr. CALKINS—Regulating the passenger fare on the Buffalo and Erie Railroad.

By Mr. H. M. CLARK—To amend the act consolidating Brooklyn and Williamsburg.

By Mr. BENDER—For the employment of a stenographer for the Supreme and Superior Courts of Buffalo.

By Mr. LABAU—To amend the law relating to trustees.

By Mr. FREAR—To incorporate the Catholic Library Association of New-York.

By Mr. HARTMAN—Compelling the Central Railroad officers to make annual reports of the amount of profits, similar to Senator PIERCE's bill.

By Mr. G. CLARK—A bill similar to the above.

By Mr. HASBROUCK—Regulating rights of fishing in the Hudson River.

By Mr. BENDER—Amending the law concerning property liable to taxation.

By Mr. HUSTED—Amending the law concerning the insurance laws of the State.

Recess.

EVENING SESSION.

BILLS ORDERED TO A THIRD READING.

Authorizing the establishment of a cab system in New-York.

Reorganizing the Brooklyn Fire Department.

Amending the Excise Law outside of the Metropolitan District.

N. B. SMITH, from the Judiciary Committee, reported a bill increasing the number of stenographers of the Marine Court to three.

Adjourned to Monday evening.

Destructive Fire in Warren-street.

At 6 o'clock last evening a fire broke out on the rear of the first floor of the five-story marble-front building No. 49 Warren-street, which was owned by J. HOYT. The front door of the building was just being closed by HIRSH MEYER, the occupant of the floor, when the flames suddenly broke out without warning and apparently without cause, and spread with such extraordinary rapidity that they could not be checked until they had eaten out the entire interior of the building, and could find nothing more to feed upon. The marble-front and solid brick side and rear walls scarcely stayed the flames, as the marble was riven by the heat and the brick walls scaled; but as all the walls can be again used without being taken down and rebuilt, the loss on the building will not exceed $20,000.

The speed with which the flames rushed through the building was remarkable, but was partially accounted for by the inflammable nature of its contents. The first floor was occupied by HIRSH MEYER as a clothing and cloak store, and was piled high with a stock worth $45,000 which was totally consumed, and on which there was an insurance to the amount of $40,000. M. & L. STOCK, dealers in boots and shoes, had on the second floor a stock worth $20,000, which was also a food for flames, and which is presumed to have been fully insured, but the facts could not be ascertained, owing to the absence of the parties. JOSEPH HINES had a stock of clothing on the third floor worth $8,000, which is totally destroyed, and on which there was insurance of only $2,000. S. GRENSLER occupied the fourth and fifth floors, where he had a stock of clothing worth $25,000 entirely consumed, and on which he had insurance only to the extent of $5,000. The basement was occupied by C. HOWES as storage for dry goods, and although the flames did not reach his stock the damage by water must approximate $10,000. The total loss thus accounted is $128,000, and the insurance, so far as the facts could be gathered last evening, is only $67,000. The conflagration was the most destructive, and in many respects the most singular of its kind in the City for months past. As yet nothing has been learned as to the origin of the fire, and it will probably never be satisfactorily accounted for. It is supposed that it began from a match carelessly thrown away after lighting a cigar, but this is only a surmise.

Arctic Life and Scenery—Lecture by Dr. Hayes.

The lecture-room of the Young Men's Christian Association, No. 161 Fifth-avenue, was last evening filled with an audience who listened attentively to Dr. HAYES while for over two hours he discoursed on the Arctic regions. The Doctor began with a recapitulation of the expeditions which had at different times been fitted out with a view to demonstrate the practicability of a northwest passage to India, describing, among them, the expedition of Dr. KANE, in which he had shared, and then came to that of which he was the commander. Having traced on the map the course of FRANKLIN's, MCCLURE's and KANE's expeditions, he explained wherein he had deviated from their course until he reached Cape Union, 100 miles northwest of the limit of Dr. KANE's expedition, and whence he, (Dr. HAYES,) within 450 miles of the North Pole, gazed in admiration on the open sea which surrounds it. He then described with much effect his approach to Greenland, the people, their dwellings and habits of life, their grand icebergs, rising three hundred feet above the level of the sea and buried seven times that depth beneath its surface, three miles in circumference and three hundred million tons in weight, enough, he said, if made marketable in the City of New-York, to pay off the national debt; the *feerds* or bays, thirty miles in depth and ten in width, in which these icebergs are formed by the thawed snows of the high interior until, breaking from the land by their own weight, they float on in imperious grandeur, until melted away in their journey to the Tropics. All were described in a manner highly interesting. The lecturer concluded by referring to his contemplated expedition to the same region, when he confidently hopes to carry forward the little flag he had planted at Cape Union, until, waving it at the very pole itself, he constituted it a part of this glorious and ever-expanding Republic.

M. E. Conference at Newark.

Union-street M. E. Church was crowded Thursday evening on the occasion of the anniversary of the Newark Conference Educational Society. Rev. Mr. BUTZ, Treasurer of the Society, reported having received $793 65, of which $750 was paid to beneficiaries. Rev. Mr. DUNNE, Secretary, stated the Society had been in existence seven years, during which time it had aided sixteen beneficiaries. During the past year seven young men had been assisted. After addresses by Rev. THOS. HANLON, and Rev. Dr. FOSTER and Dr. PECK, a collection was taken up for the purpose of making Rev. Father BOEHM (aged 94) and Rev. Dr. PECK life ministers of the Conference Educational Society. Yesterday the Conference was continued. Dr. CRANE offered the act incorporating the camp-meeting grounds near Denville. Rev. D. SWAN related experiences connected with his residence in Florida. The eighth question was taken up, "Who are the superannuated or worn-out preachers?" HU SING MI was continued on trial, and recommended to the China Conference, which is to be organized next year. Rev. JAS. AYRES, Presiding Elder of the Elizabeth district, stated it was intended to erect a new church at Woodville, to cost $20,000; also churches at Perth Amboy, Crawford, &c. Rev. C. LAREN reported favorably as to the condition of affairs in Morristown.

The Essex-street Affair—Brutal and Unprovoked Assault.

The fact has already been published that CHARLES HORNUNG, of No. 152 Essex-street, is lying in a critical condition in consequence of a beating received some time ago. Yesterday Coroner ROLLINS proceeded to the residence of the injured man and took his *ante-mortem* examination as follows:

HORNUNG stated that on the 5th of January last he entered into an agreement with HENRY MAIN, of No. 160 Canal-street, to sell sewing machines on commission, he to receive $4 on each machine sold. HORNUNG sold two machines, on which he claimed $8 as commission, and it also appears that he was using a machine belonging to MAIN, on which he was paying $5 per month as rent. A dispute arose between the two men, in an endeavor to settle the account between them, and on the 10th of February, MAIN went to HORNUNG's house, with a colored man who drives for him, to take the machine away. HORNUNG refused to let it go, but MAIN told the colored man to go ahead, whereupon the latter advanced and gave HORNUNG a blow under the right ear which knocked him down, but as he was falling MAIN struck him a powerful blow in the left eye. HORNUNG, attempting to rise, struck him in the stomach, but he finally struggled to his feet, when both men attacked him, and gave four and five terrible blows. HORNUNG's wife, attempting to interfere in behalf of her husband, was warned away by the two ruffians, who, having at last disabled HORNUNG, took possession of the machine and went away. The injured man was placed in the bed, from which he has never since risen, and has been daily growing worse. The statement of HORNUNG was corroborated by the testimony of his wife, and partially so by that of one ANNIE SARGAL, and the jury, therefore, rendered a verdict that HORNUNG came to his injuries at the hands of HENRY MAIN and of a colored man name unknown to the jury.

Coroner ROLLINS thereupon issued his warrant for the arrest of the accused, and the document was placed in the hands of Officer DUNLEY, of the Seventeenth precinct, whose admirable conduct on the previous evening in the arrest of Dr. WOLFF, had especially recommended him to the Coroner for such service.

Prospect Park Investigation.

The Special Committee of the Brooklyn Board of Aldermen, to whom was referred the message of Mayor KALBFLEISCH, charging the Prospect Park Commissioners with extravagance and mismanagement in the conduct of the business intrusted to them, met in the City Hall last evening. There was a large attendance of property owners and citizens generally. The only witness called was General EGBERT L. VIELE. He said that he was the author of the original design of Prospect Park; that said design was accepted by the Park Commissioners; that his estimate of the entire cost of improving the Park ready for use was $800,000; that this estimate was made before the war commenced; that his present estimate for the same work was $1,000,000, $400,000 of which would be necessary for the improvement of that part of the park (137 acres) lying east of Flatbush-avenue; that this difference was based on the increased value of labor, material, &c.; that the introduction of architectural displays other than the features existing in the original condition of the Park were costly and demoralizing; that he had not seen the work done in Prospect Park; that he had not been on the ground since before the war; that he could not estimate the cost of a wall around the Park, like that built around Central Park, unless he had the data.

Mr. JOSHUA M. VAN COTT, who appeared for the Park Commissioners, said that when the evidence against them was all in they desired to be heard.

Mr. JOHN N. TAYLOR, Comptroller of the Park, said he was instructed by the Commissioners to offer every facility the Committee might deem necessary to aid them in their investigations, and that all records, books, accounts, and vouchers of every kind which they might require to see, would be produced at any time and place the Committee might designate.

Mr. GOODRICH desired the Committee to urge upon their Board at its next meeting the passage of a resolution asking the Legislature to suspend action on all bills giving increased powers to the Prospect Park Commissioners.

The Committee then adjourned till next Tuesday evening.

Signs of the Times—Address by Mr. H. B. Stanton.

A pleasant entertainment was given by Council No. 1, Union League of America, at the Hall corner of Eighth-avenue and Forty-sixth-street, last evening. There was some singing and recitations, and an address by Hon. HENRY B. STANTON, on the "Signs of the Times." He said he delivered his speech on the question of slavery, while a college student, 37 years ago, on the negative side of the question: "If a slave insurrection arose in the South, is it the duty of the North to march down and suppress it?" He had held the negative ever since. Before the close of this year he believed the ballot would be in the hands of every citizen, black or white. The great work of slavery had been accomplished by sacrificing half a million of lives, and piling up a mountain of debt so high that, in his judgment, its shadow reaches down the next century. England has doubled her wealth and fought several wars without paying a penny of her debt, and it would probably be the same here. People would go on paying the taxes but never think of paying off the debt. The cry of politicians in the future, therefore, would be, "Let us cut down taxes."

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

New-York.

Yesterday morning SARAH ROACH, a small girl, was badly burned about the body by her clothes taking fire from a stove in Primary School No. 18, in Waverly-place, between West Eleventh and Bank-streets. She was taken to a neighboring drug store, where her burns were dressed, and she was then removed to the residence of her mother, No. 264 West Eleventh-street.

The Children's Aid Society, never tiring of finding amusement for the street lads that throng their lodging-houses, were, through the kindness of Professor CHITTENDEN, enabled last evening to give the boys who make the Phelps Lodging-house, in Rivington-street, their home, a very interesting and amusing entertainment. The Professor takes a great interest in the newsboys and others who frequent the lodging-houses of the Children's Aid Society, and his efforts to interest and amuse, judging from the applause which greeted the pictures, were highly successful.

An intelligent young colored man, one of the expelled members of the Georgia Legislature, JAMES M. SIMMS, lectured at Cooper Institute last evening, under the auspices of the American Anti-slavery Society.

The Harbor Police have seized twelve boxes of nitro-glycerine on a bark in the bay. The captain of the vessel says he received it in ignorance of its explosive nature. The Police say that the owners of the nitro-glycerine, who do business at Nos. 78 and 80 Broadway, refuse to take charge of it, and that the captain of the bark also refuses to have anything to do with it.

The students of the first grammar class of the College of St. Francis Xavier honored the festival of St. Aloysius, yesterday afternoon by celebrating the birthday of the President of the College. The exercises consisted of declamations, readings, dramatic exercises and music. Several hundred visitors were present, mostly friends of the pupils. The institution numbers thirty professors and about 500 students.

The Young Men's Christian Association will hold its regular meeting on Monday evening, at No. 161 Fifth-avenue. Admission is not confined to members, but the doors are open to all.

The Gas and Steam Fitters' Association met last night at No. 29 Bowery. They determined to notify their employers by means of a circular to them, that on April 5, they will demand $4 wages per day. It was represented that some of the employers were disposed to comply with the proposed demands of the Association.

The sale of tickets for the Reception of the Twenty-second Regiment still goes on, and but few remain in the hands of the members. There is already a demand for boxes at the Academy on the evening of the ball, but they are to be disposed of only at auction, on the Saturday preceding the ball, (27th inst.,) at the Regimental Armory.

The body of a male infant was found yesterday morning in a box at the corner of Fifty-seventh-street and Second-avenue. Coroner FLYNN held an inquest at the Morgue, to which place it had been removed.

Coroner FLYNN held an inquest yesterday at Bellevue Hospital, in the case of EDWARD CONNORS, who was run over and killed at the foot of East Thirty-fourth-street, has been previously reported. The evidence as to the manner in which the injury had been received being of a conflicting character, the jury rendered a verdict that the deceased had been run over by some unknown vehicle.

GEORGE SIMMONS, a boy 13 years of age, yesterday afternoon presented a check for $25 at the East River Bank, corner of Broadway and Great Jones-street, which purported to be drawn by THOMAS ROSSELL, but was declared to be a forgery. The boy was arrested and locked up at Police Headquarters. He stated that HENRY ROSSELL had given him the check.

During a boyish quarrel last night in the Twenty-first Ward between two lads, MICHAEL O'CONNOR and DAVID LAMB, the former was stabbed in the leg and slightly wounded. The injured boy was removed to his home, No. 239 East Twenty-eighth-street. LAMB is not reported to have been arrested.

It has just transpired that an affray occurred in Tenth-avenue on St. Patrick's Day in which JOSEPH MCALISTER was badly beaten by BERNARD DUFFEY, but as he refused to prefer any complaint no arrest was made. Yesterday the injured man being in a critical condition was removed to Bellevue Hospital, and the Police are in pursuit of the now needed assailant.

A kerosene lamp last evening fell off a table in the basement of No. 40 Elizabeth-street, setting fire to the carpet. The damage was slight as the flames were quickly subdued.

Brooklyn.

Prof. R. W. RAYMOND will read a paper on the "History of Mining Law" before the Long Island Historical Society, on Tuesday evening; and on Wednesday evening Prof. PLYMPTON will read a paper on "Christian Architecture," with illustrations.

The body of an unknown man was found on the shore at Bay Ridge on Wednesday. Deceased had on a black coat, vest and pants, white shirt and red undershirt. The left leg was deformed.

The first invitation promenade concert and flag presentation of the Thirty-second Regiment, N. G., S. N. Y., will take place at Turn-Halle, Meserole-street, Williamsburg, on Monday evening. General MESEROLE will be on hand, and, on behalf of the State, will present a stand of colors.

The crew and a number of the passengers of the emigrant ship *James Foster, Jr.*, appeared before Assistant District-Attorney EDWARD L. PARRIS, and entered a formal complaint against the officers of the vessel. The affidavits in the case will be filed to-day, after which the charges will be examined by the Commissioner.

New-Jersey.

On Thursday evening, Mr. CHAS. H. BRAINARD, of Boston, lectured before a numerous and highly appreciative audience, at Woodside, on the "Life and Genius of JOHN G. WHITTIER." The life-long intimacy of the lecturer with the poet enabled him to present many interesting facts connected with the lyrics of his friend, and the characters by whom the subjects of the poems were inspired. The lecture abounds with vigorous thought, charming description, and excellent illustration of the genius of the poet, and as delivered by a true orator, was perfectly satisfactory to the audience. Mr. BRAINARD will prove a welcome addition to the list of American lecturers. His present address is at SNEDECOR'S Art Gallery, Broadway, New-York.

On Thursday night a peddler named HENRY PRINCE was waylaid, while on his way home, by two ruffians, ALEXANDER CLEMENTS and WM. MCCANN, in the open street, near the Weehawken Ferry. They assaulted him with clubs and inflicted some severe wounds on his head and body; then robbed him of his goods. Some persons were passing at the time and observed his assailants throwing him into the river with the view of drowning him. The thieves then made their escape with their booty. PRINCE was rescued from his perilous condition and conveyed to the City Hospital of New-York, where his case was pronounced hopeless. Last evening CLEMENTS was arrested by the efforts of Officer GEORGE W. WETTMAN, in New-York, and on being taken before PRINCE at the hospital was fully identified as one of the assailants. He was subsequently taken over to Hoboken and committed to the County Jail to await the result of PRINCE's injuries.

THOMAS MARTIN, a large property holder in the Sixth Ward of Jersey City, who was sentenced at the last October term of the Hudson County Court to eighteen months' imprisonment for having seriously stabbed a young man named REILLY, has been discharged from State Prison by order of the Court of Pardons. The stabbing occurred on a street near Pavonia-avenue, Jersey City, and was the result of a drunken altercation between MARTIN and other parties.

JOHN MCINTYRE, a carpenter, who fell from a building in Hudson City, some time since, was admitted into the Snake Hill Hospital, on Wednesday last, complaining of severe injuries, but was in only a few hours when he died very suddenly. He leaves a wife and child in Seventeenth-street, near Second-avenue, New-York.

A man named JOSEPH TILYER, residing at No. 80 Cherry-street, Newark, was arrested yesterday on a charge of constructive larceny, because he had refused to give a pocket-book to a Mrs. DOHERTY, which she claimed as hers, but which he believed she had not correctly described. Mrs. DOHERTY claims there were $15 in the book, whereas there were only $6 in it when found.

During the absence of Rev. Mr. GRIFFITHS at the Newark M. E. Conference, his residence at Somerville was robbed, and $80 stolen therefrom, half of which is Conference money.

Two school teachers of Washington-street, Newark, named THEODORE and GEORGE SICKLEY, were arrested yesterday for having ill-used the son of a Mr. PARKHURST, of Millburn. They were discharged on giving $100 bail.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

LONDON, Friday, March 19—11 A. M.

Consols open at 93⅛ for money and 93⅛ for the account. United States Five-twenty Bonds quiet and steady at 84. Stocks steady; Erie, 24⅛; Illinois, 97.

FRANKFORT, Friday, March 19.

United States Five-twenty Bonds, 87⅛@87⅛ for the issue of 1862.

LIVERPOOL, Friday, March 19—11 A. M.

COTTON—The market opens quiet; Middling Uplands, 12d.; Middling Orleans, 12⅛d.; the sales of the day are estimated at 8,000 bales. The sales of the week have been 54,000 bales, of which 4,000 were taken for export; 5,000 on speculation. The stock in port and on shipboard is estimated at 204,000 bales, of which 105,000 are American.

BREADSTUFFS—Wheat, 9s. 10d. per cental for California White, and 8s. 9d. for No. 2 Red Western. Flour, 23s. 6d. ₱ bbl. for Western Canal. Corn, 30s. ₱ quarter for Old Mixed Western, and 29s. for New do. Oats, 3s. 4d. ₱ bushel. Barley, 5s. ₱ bushel. Peas, 41s. per quarter for Canadian.

PROVISIONS—Pork, 100s. ₱ bbl. for Eastern Prime Mess. Beef, 90s. ₱ tierce, of 304 lbs., for Extra Prime Mess. Lard, 75s. ₱ cwt. Cheese, 76s. ₱ cwt. for American fine. Bacon, 62s. 6d. ₱ cwt. for Cumberland Cut.

PRODUCE—Resin, 5s. 6d. ₱ cwt. for common North Carolina, and 15s. for Fine. Petroleum, 7½d. ₱ gallon for Spirits, and 1s. 8¼d. for Refined. Tallow, 45s. 6d. ₱ cwt. Turpentine, 31s. ₱ cwt. Linseed Oil, 32s. ₱ ton.

LONDON, Friday, March 19—11 A. M.

Linseed Cakes, £10 ₱ £10 15s. ₱ ton. Sperm Oil, £100 ₱ ton. Whale Oil, £36 ₱ ton. Calcutta Linseed, 59s. 6d. Sugar, 39s. 6d. ₱ cwt. for No. 12 Dutch Standard. Turpentine, 32s. ₱ 32s. 3d. ₱ cwt.

ANTWERP, Friday, March 19.

Petroleum, 54½f. ₱ 55f. for Standard White.

LONDON, Friday, March 19—1 P. M.

United States Five-twenty Bonds quiet and unchanged. Stocks steady.

LIVERPOOL, Friday, March 19—1 P. M.

COTTON—The stock of Cotton in port is 264,000 bales, and not 204,000, as before reported. The stock at sea bound to this port is estimated at 243,000 bales, of which 169,000 are en route from the United States.

HAVRE, Friday, March 19.

COTTON—The market opened dull for both on the spot and afloat; Tres Ordinaire, on the spot, 142f. 50c. ₱ cwt.

LIVERPOOL, Friday, March 19—2 P. M.

TRADE REPORT—The market for Yarns and Fabrics at Manchester is quiet but firm.

BREADSTUFFS—Corn dull. Wheat, 9s. 8d. ₱ cental for California White, and 8s. 8d. for No. 2 Red Western. Flour, 23s. ₱ bbl. for Western Canal.

PROVISIONS—The market is quiet.

LONDON, Friday, March 19—4:30 P. M.

Consols close at 93¼ for money, and 93¼ for the account. United States Five-twenty Bonds quiet and steady at 84. Stocks steady. Erie, 24⅛; Illinois, 97¼.

FRANKFORT, Friday, March 19.

United States Five-twenty Bonds, 88 for the issue of 1862.

LIVERPOOL, Friday, March 19—4:30 P. M.

COTTON—The market closed quiet and steady; Middling Uplands, on the spot, 12d.; afloat, 12d.; Middling Orleans, 12¼d. The sales of the day have footed up 10,000 bales.

LONDON, Friday, March 19.

Tallow, 47s. ₱ cwt. Linseed Oil, £30 ₱ ton. Spirits Turpentine, 32s. ₱ cwt. Refined Petroleum, 1s. 8¾d. ₱ gallon.

ANTWERP, Friday, March 19.

Petroleum dull at 54½f. 55f. for Standard White.

PARIS, Friday, March 19.

Bourse dull; Rentes, 70f. 32c.

HAVRE, Friday, March 19.

Cotton market flat for stock afloat and on the spot; afloat, 143f.; on the spot, 142f.

HAVANA, Friday, March 19.

SUGAR is buoyant; sales were made on a basis of 9@9¾ reals for No. 12 Dutch Standard; business large, with large inquiry for speculation. EXCHANGE on London, 10¾@11¾ premium; on United States, 60 days, in gold, par, at ⅛ discount; Short Sight, 2@2½ premium; 60 days' Currency, 25@26 discount; Short Sight, 23@23 discount.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Friday, March 19.

EXCHANGE on New-York quiet and rates unchanged. FLOUR dull; Spring Extras, $4 62½@$5; No. 1 Spring, $7; Spring Superfine, $4@$4 75. WHEAT active; No. 1 at $1 11@$1 15; No. 2 at $1 09@$1 09¼. CORN dull and unsettled; New, 53¾c.@53½c. OATS dull and declined ¾c.@1c.; No. 2 quoted at 52c. RYE in fair demand at $1 16¾@$1 19. BARLEY dull at $1 85 for No. 2. SEEDS dull; Timothy, $2 75@$3 15; Clover, $6 25@$6 50. WHISKY dull at 88c. PORK quiet but strong at $32. LARD dull and declined ¼c.@5c.; round lots sold at 15c. Sweet-pickled HAMS active at 16c. Dry Salted Shoulders 13c., buyer April. Dressed HOGS steady at $12 25@$12 75. Live HOGS dull at $9 30@$11 25. CATTLE neglected; Good Stock Steers, $6@$6 40. RECEIPTS—8,000 bbls. Flour, 29,000 bushels Wheat, 50,000 bushels Corn, 20,000 bushels Oats, 45,000 bushels Rye, 1,900 bushels Barley, 4,200 Hogs. SHIPMENTS—8,000 bbls. Flour, 7,500 bushels Wheat, 27,000 bushels Corn, 9,000 bushels Oats, 1,800 bushels Rye, 1,500 bushels Barley, 600 Hogs.

NEW-ORLEANS, Friday, March 19.

COTTON—Receipts to-day, 1,855 bales; for the week, gross, 12,164 bales; net, 11,268 bales; exports to-day, 6,675 bales; for the week, to Liverpool, 3,127 bales; to the Continent, 3,165 bales; coastwise, 4,731 bales; stock on hand, 14,415 bales; sales to-day, 2,400 bales; for the week, 15,800 bales. Prices easier; Middling, 27¼c. GOLD, 31¼. Sterling EXCHANGE, $1 42¼; New-York Sight, ½ premium. FLOUR declining; receipts large; Superfine, $6 12½; Double Extra, $6 35; Treble Extra, $6 87½. CORN easier; White, 78c. @79c.; Yellow 80c. OATS easier; 72c. BRAN, $1 15. HAY firm; Prime, $27. PORK firmer; $33 25. BACON firm at 14½c.@17¾c.@18¾c. LARD—Tierce, 18¾c.@19c.; Keg, 20c.@22c. SUGAR firmer; Common, 12½c.@12¾c.; Prime, 14¾c. MOLASSES firmer; Prime, 70c.@75c. WHISKY—Western Rectified, 92½c.@97½c. COFFEE dull; Fair, 15c.@15¾c.; Prime, 17c.@17¾c.

PHILADELPHIA, Friday, March 19.

COTTON dull and unchanged. FLOUR more active; sales, 2,000 bbls.: Northwestern Extra Family, $6 50@$7 25; Pennsylvania do., $7@$8 25; Ohio, $8@$9 25; Fancy, $9 50@$12. WHEAT very quiet; Red at $1 50@$1 60; Amber, $1 65@$1 75; White $1 80@$1 90. RYE firm at $1 55. CORN in limited demand; sales 6,000 bbls.; Yellow and Mixed Western at 86c. OATS in fair demand; Western at 73c.@76c.; Pennsylvania, 60c.@65c. PETROLEUM feverish; Crude nominal at 17c.@18c. in bulk; 20c. in barrels; Refined, 30c., on the spot; at 33¼c.@33c. for April, May and June delivery. GROCERIES and PROVISIONS unchanged, but looking up. WHISKY dull at 93c.@96c.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Friday, March 19.

FLOUR quiet; sales 100 bbls. Minnesota Baker at $7 25; 200 bbls. No. 2 City-ground Spring at $6. WHEAT inactive; fair White Canada offered at $1 50. CORN quiet; a few car-loads New sold at 59c.@61c. on the track. OATS dull; sales one car-load Western at 65c. in store. RYE nominal. BARLEY dull; sales 1,000 bushels Canada at $2 05, bagged; Choice held at $2 10 in elevator. SEEDS in fair demand; sales 5,000 bushels Clover at about $9; 400 bags Timothy at $3 40@$3 50. PORK firmer at $32 for heavy. LARD and HIGHWINES unchanged.

ST. LOUIS, Friday, March 19.

TOBACCO unchanged. COTTON heavy. FLOUR dull at $5 25@$5 35 for Fall Superfine; Extra, $6@$6 50. WHEAT—Choice and fancy Fall, $1 82½@$2; Prime to Choice, $1 55@$1 70. Spring unchanged. CORN quiet at 58c.@61c. for Yellow, Mixed and White, in bulk, and 68c.@70c. in sacks. OATS unchanged. BARLEY quiet and unchanged. RYE unchanged. WHISKY nominal at 89c.@90c. PORK quiet at $32 @$32 50. Bulk MEATS dull; Shoulders, 13c.; Clear Rib Sides, 16¼c. BACON dull. LARD—Choice Steam, 18¼c.; Kettle Choice Country, 18¾c., local demand only. RECEIPTS—4,200 bbls. Flour, 13,500 bushels Wheat, 23,000 bushels Corn, 3,200 bushels Barley, 1,700 bushels Rye.

CINCINNATI, Friday, March 19.

FLOUR dull and unchanged. WHEAT dull; no sales. CORN firm at 65c. for car. OATS dull at 65c. for No. 1. BARLEY dull at $1 @$2 for No. 2 State. RYE dull but unchanged. COTTON dull and unchanged. WHISKY dull at 90c.@91c. MESS PORK dull, not saleable higher than $32. Bulk MEATS dull and lower; offered at 11¾c.@12¾c.; no buyers. BACON nominally unchanged; no sales. LARD dull at 19c.; no buyers better than 18½c. GOLD 130¾. EXCHANGE steady.

TOLEDO, Friday, March 19.

FLOUR dull and heavy. WHEAT dull; sales of Amber at $1 46; No. 1 White Michigan, $1 63. CORN quiet; sales of No. 1 at 65c.; No. 2 at 62¾c.; no grade, 62c. OATS quiet and prices unchanged. RYE quiet and unchanged. BARLEY nominally unchanged. RECEIPTS—1,600 bbls. Flour, 7,000 bushels Wheat, 36,000 bushels Corn, 7,600 bushels Oats, 1,600 bushels Barley. SHIPMENTS—1,400 bbls. Flour, 2,800 bushels Wheat, 4,800 bushels Oats.

OSWEGO, Friday, March 19.

FLOUR dull and lower; sales, 800 bbls. at $6 75@$7 for No. 1 Spring; $7 25@$7 50 for Amber Winter; $8 50@$8 75 for

AFFAIRS IN GEORGIA.

The Fifteenth Amendment in the General Assembly—The Governor's Message—Action of the Radicals—Alleged Legislative Corruption—Excited Scene in the House—A Double Murder—A Violent Wedding—Adjournment of the Legislature.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ATLANTA, Ga., Sunday, March 14, 1869.

That the Fifteenth Amendment is not to-day ratified by the Legislature of Georgia, and by a majority sufficiently large to prove that all parties concurred in the ratification, is due altogether to the extraordinary conduct of the Governor and the most noisy of the prominent Radicals. A large number of Democratic members had determined to vote for the Amendment, because it was hoped that by doing so further Congressional interference might be averted; that it would establish nothing in Georgia that does not already exist by the State Constitution; that it would gratify the President, and place the suffrage in all the States on an equal basis. They did not conceal their determination or the reasons which led to it. Then came the Governor's message, making official communication of the proposed amendment, in which, by every sneer, covert and expressed, by ridicule, jeer and insult, he does his utmost to create opposition to the amendment, and embitter the feeling of the Democrats against Congress and the Executive. I heard the message read, and I can only judge of others by myself, and had I been a Democratic member previously resolved to support the amendment, if the vote had been taken immediately after hearing the message, I should have voted "No." A more irritating, galling document to all who had the misfortune to differ from Mr. BULLOCK I never read. The subsequent action of leading Radicals intensified the irritation. Mr. O'NEAL, BRYANT's rival for the leadership of his party in the House, said "Let Republicans look on and see our enemies adopt our principles; we look on with feelings of mirth and amusement;" and Mr. FITZPATRICK, a Fenian of the most Donnybrook Fair propensities, declared that he and the other Radicals would hold off and see the Democrats swallow the dose, and hoped they'd like the taste. These ultraists did not conceal their desire that the amendment might be defeated, and that then Congress would "bust the concern wide open;" nor did they hesitate to declare that "BULLOCK didn't want the rebels to ratify the amendment." As a proof of the sincerity of their desire, when the vote was taken many Radical members absented themselves or refused to vote. Notwithstanding all this, the yeas had a small majority, which not improbably will be lost on the reconsideration. It is certain that but for the Governor's jeering message and the derision of the Radicals, the amendment would have been carried almost without debate and by a considerable majority, although it is equally certain that the people, if they had an opportunity to express their will, would say No most loudly.

This matter vindicates most forcibly the justice and wisdom of the editorial remarks of the TIMES of the 10th inst. on the Republican Party in Georgia, by exposing the discreditable purposes of those who assume to control that party, but who really represent nothing but the prejudices, self-interest and animosities of a small, noisy and not over reputable clique. It is important that the truth may be known, and I employ plain language to express it. It is not calculated to win converts to revile those who contemplate conversion as apostates, and upbraid them insultingly with the errors of the faith they are about to abandon. But this is precisely what the Governor did in his message. The conclusion is irresistible that it was intended to prevent the adoption of the Fifteenth Article by the Democratic Legislature of Georgia for fear the adoption would destroy the chances of the "new deal," from which certain parties expect to win so many advantages. The trick was very clumsy in its conception, and still more clumsily played.

A scene of almost Congressional uproar took place in the House last week when the allegation was made that certain members had received bribes to vote for the passage of a bill giving "State aid" to the Brunswick and Albany Railroad. It is stated positively that such is the fact, and a member from Macon declared in his place that he held in his hands a certificate of stock issued to a member to obtain his vote, for which the member had not paid a mill, and that he (the member from Macon) could swear to the facts. From all I can learn, the facts are as stated. The Governor has been requested to withhold his approval of the bill until a committee appointed to investigate the matter shall report.

The examination of the famous "$35,0000 transaction" has revealed other financial irregularities, and a special committee has recommended the passage of a joint resolution directing the Attorney-General to institute suits on the bonds of the Comptroller-General and Treasurer for money paid out on Executive warrants unauthorized by law. This will include the $360 of interest on the public deposits, which the Treasurer ordered placed to his private account as a "perquisite of his office."

The fuss about the "Operatic Capitol" will be settled by the State and the City of Atlanta buying the building and paying KIMBALL therefor $300,000, KIMBALL agreeing to refund the $31,000 paid him for the water-pipes and furnaces. The State will pay $200,000 less the $31,000, and the City of Atlanta $100,000. This will put an end to all idea of re-removing the seat of Government to Milledgeville, and establishes it permanently here.

A frightful tragedy has just taken place at Warrenton, Warren County, in this State. The editor of a little weekly paper, named WALLACE, was shot and instantly killed on Friday last, by one Dr. DARDEN, who fired at his victim from a window. WALLACE wanted to join a Masonic lodge; his petition had been examined and had been reported favorably by the committee, but on the vote two black balls were found in the ballot-box, which WALLACE ascertained were put there by DARDEN. For these black balls, WALLACE denounced "the villainy of the scalawag DARDEN," in his paper, and as he was walking to his office DARDEN shot him as described above. It was a very base and cowardly murder. WALLACE was popular and reputable, DARDEN extremely the reverse. DARDEN was promptly apprehended by the Sheriff and placed in jail, but at night the infuriated populace broke into the jail, took out the prisoner and lynched him upon the spot. These are the facts as reported to me by an eye witness of both crimes.

Another shooting affair took place a few days ago near Andersonville, in which a clergyman in the act of marrying a couple was shot by the father of the bride. There was no ill-will between the parties. On the contrary, the clergyman and his assailant were on the most cordial terms. The alleged cause is that the father of the bride was so festive that he drank too much whisky, and under the influence of *fusel* oil, administered a charge of *fusil* lead to the unoffending minister. Notwithstanding the painful and dangerous wound, the clergyman insisted on performing the ceremony, and stretched on a pallet supported by pillows, he declared the bride and bridegroom man and wife, "going through the whole ceremony," as my informant stated, "as if nothing had happened." He now lies in a very precarious condition at Americus.

The chances of an adjournment of the General Assembly improve daily. It is fervently hoped by the tax-paying community that the blessing will be soon vouchsafed to them.

QUONDAM.

The Use of Light Colored Inks.

From the Philadelphia Ledger, March 16.

Some weeks ago we called attention to the folly, as well as the danger, of using ink of any other color than black. We did it on that occasion at the instance of a gentleman who had a State bond that had been filled up with violet colored ink, and found, on taking it from its place of keeping, the filling up in this particular ink had entirely faded away. We had, years before, denounced all pale inks—those of other color than black—as a nuisance, and gave notice that those using it in their communications with this office could not be sure of a reading. There is neither apology nor excuse for the manufacture or use of light-colored inks, even if they would stand. The contrast on the white paper being less decided, they are difficult and more painful to the eye to read, but now it has been demonstrated beyond all doubt that some of them at least will not stand. When it is remembered what serious consequences might result from notes, bonds, mortgages, wills, &c., being filled up by designing parties with inks that will not live on paper or parchment, the Legislature might, with propriety, forbid its use by any one, and it is its duty to prohibit it by any public officer. When we called attention to the matter some weeks since, a gentleman in the office of the United States Assistant Treasurer in this city wrote on ordinary cap paper a few lines in each of the four or five kinds of ink, and stuck them up against a window, exposed to the sun. After remaining thus exposed for fifteen or eighteen days he took them down, and recently brought them to this office for our inspection. The black held its color nearly or quite as well as ever, and the red was still legible; but the violet had almost entirely vanished. Not one single word of what had been written with it could be read.

ANDREW JOHNSON.

Complete Record of President Johnson's Vetoes.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Monday, March 15, 1869.

The following carefully compiled list gives in full the official record of the exercise of the veto power by ANDREW JOHNSON during his term of office. It probably more than equals all the vetoes of all the Presidents that preceded him:

FIRST SESSION—THIRTY-NINTH CONGRESS.

Bills Vetoed.

1. To enlarge the powers of the Freedmen's Bureau. Vetoed Feb. 19, 1866. To protect all persons in the United States in their civil rights and furnish the means of their vindication. Vetoed and passed over veto April 9, 1866.

2. For the admission of the State of Colorado into the Union. Vetoed May, 1866.

3. To enable the New-York and Montana Iron Manufacturing Company to purchase a certain amount of public lands not now in the market. Vetoed June, 1866.

4. To continue in force and to amend an act entitled "An act to establish a Bureau for the relief of freedmen and refugees, and for other purposes." Vetoed and passed July 16, 1866, over veto.

5. For the admission of the State of Nebraska into the Union. Not signed; failed through the adjournment of Congress.

SECOND SESSION—THIRTY-NINTH CONGRESS.

1. To regulate the elective franchise in the District of Columbia. Vetoed; passed, June 8, 1867, over veto.

2. To admit the State of Colorado into the Union. Vetoed June 18, 1867.

3. For the admission of the State of Nebraska into the Union. Vetoed, and passed, March 2, 1867, over veto.

4. To provide for the more efficient government of the insurrectionary States. Vetoed, and passed, March 2, 1867, over veto.

5. To regulate the tenure of office. Vetoed, and passed, March 2, 1867, over veto.

Bills which became laws without the President's signature, the constitutional limit of ten days having expired without return:

1. To repeal section thirteen of "An act to suppress insurrection, to punish treason and rebellion, to seize and confiscate the property of rebels, and for other purposes." Approved July 17, 1862; became a law June 22, 1867.

2. To regulate the franchise in the Territories of the United States; became a law June 31, 1867.

3. To regulate the duties of the Clerk of the House of Representatives, in preparing for the organization of the House and for other purposes; became a law Feb. 22, 1867.

4. To declare the sense of an act entitled an act to restrict the jurisdiction of the Court of Claims, and to provide for the payment of certain demands for Quartermaster's stores and subsistence supplies furnished to the Army of the United States; became a law Feb. 22, 1867.

RECAPITULATION.

Thirty-ninth Congress—Vetoes, 10; became laws without signatures, 4.

FIRST SESSION FORTIETH CONGRESS.

Bills Vetoed.

1. A supplementary Reconstruction bill, to provide for elections and the formation of Constitutions in ten States. Vetoed March 23, 1867, and passed over veto; vote in the Senate, 40 to 7; in the House, 114 to 25.

2. A supplementary Reconstruction bill. Vetoed July 19, 1867, and passed over veto; vote in the Senate, 30 to 6; in the House, 109 to 25.

3. A supplementary Reconstruction Appropriation bill. Vetoed July 19, 1868, and passed over veto; vote in the Senate, 32 to 4; in the House, 109 to 25.

SECOND SESSION—FORTIETH CONGRESS.

Bills Vetoed.

1. An amendatory act providing for the re-examination in the Supreme Court, by writ of error, cases which have been adjudicated in Circuit Courts. Vetoed March 26, 1868, and passed over veto; vote in the Senate, 33 to 9; in the House, 115 to 34.

2. An act to provide for the admission of the State of Arkansas to representation in Congress. Vetoed June 20, 1868, and passed over veto; vote in Senate, 30 to 7; in House, 111 to 31.

3. An act to provide for the admission of the States of North and South Carolina, Louisiana, Georgia, Alabama and Florida to representation in Congress upon ratification of the Fourteenth Amendment. Vetoed and passed over veto; vote in the Senate, 35 to 8; in the House, 108 to 31.

4. An act relative to the Freedman's Bureau, providing for its discontinuance, &c. Vetoed and passed over veto July 25, 1868; vote in the Senate, 42 to 5; in the House, 115 to 23.

5. Joint resolution of the Senate excluding from the Electoral College votes of States lately in rebellion which shall not have been reorganized. Vetoed and passed over veto July 21, 1868; vote in the Senate, 45 to 8; in the House, 134 to 36.

Bills Which Became Laws Without the Approval of the President, the Constitutional Limit of Ten Days Having Expired Without Their Return.

1. An act to authorize a further reduction of the currency; became a law Feb. 4, 1868, without approval.

2. An act making appropriations to supply deficiences in the appropriations for the execution of the reconstruction laws, and for arrears of Quartermaster's Department; became a law without approval Feb. 12, 1868.

3. An act amendatory to a Supplementary Reconstruction law providing that a majority of votes cast shall decide elections, and that persons registered may vote in any part of the State; became a law without approval March 19, 1868.

4. An act making appropriations for the support of the Military Academy, providing that nothing shall be paid for expenses incurred by the appointment of cadets from Southern States until they shall have returned to their proper relations to the Government; became a law without approval March 17, 1868.

5. An act to extend the charter of the City of Washington, regulating the selection of officers, &c.; became a law without approval May 29, 1868.

6. An act making appropriations to supply deficiencies in the appropriation for the execution of the Reconstruction laws in the Third Military District; became a law without approval July 27, 1868.

7. An act to continue the Bureau for the Relief of Freedmen and Refugees; became a law without approval July 6, 1868.

8. Joint resolution of the Senate authorizing the employment of counsel for the defence of those intrusted with the execution of the Reconstruction laws; became a law without approval Feb. 26, 1868.

9. Joint resolution of the House appointing Managers of National Asylums for disabled soldiers; became a law without approval March 25, 1868.

THIRD SESSION—FORTIETH CONGRESS.

Bill Vetoed.

1. An act regulating the duties on copper and copper ores. Vetoed Feb. 22; passed over veto Feb. 24, 1869.

Bills which failed through the adjournment of Congress, the President refusing to sign the same (pocket vetoes.)

1. An act to amend the judicial system of the United States.

2. An act for the further security of equal rights in the District of Columbia. (Third failure from same cause.)

3. An act to amend certain acts in relation to the navy and marine corps.

4. Joint resolution granting use of military equipments for inauguration ceremonies.

5. An act to strengthen the public credit and to legalize gold contracts.

Bills which became laws without the President's signature, the constitutional limit of ten days having expired without their return.

1. Bill for the relief of the poor and destitute people of the District of Columbia.

2. Joint resolution respecting the Provisional Governments of Virginia, Mississippi and Texas.

3. Resolution relative to the contract for stationery for the Interior Department.

RECAPITULATION.—Fortieth Congress—Vetoes, 9; "pocket vetoes," 5; became laws without signature, 12.

Total—Vetoes, 19; "pocket vetoes," 6; became laws without the President's signature, 16.

CYMON.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

The Arcade Railroad.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

The following communication was drawn up by one of our ablest merchants, and addressed to the Chairman of the Railroad Committee of the Senate at the last session of the Legislature, when the Senate refused to pass the bill. It presents in a condensed and forcible form the objections to the Arcade Railroad scheme. Property holders on Broadway will learn from it how terrible the mischief is with which their property is threatened.

BROADWAY.

Taking into account the difficulty in construction, the amount of money required, the time necessary for its completion, and the interference with private property and private rights, this Arcade Railroad is one of the most gigantic projects that has ever been proposed in the history of the world. It proposes:

First—To dig away the whole of the principal street of the commercial metropolis of the nation, and interrupt travel and business in it for at least five years.

Second—To take away from all the buildings on Broadway, without giving any equivalent, the very valuable vaults under the street, which are used in all modern buildings as salesrooms, and for other first-class purposes. These vaults have been built at heavy expense, and large sums have been paid to the Common Council for the privilege of using the space so occupied.

Third—To dig down to a depth of at least twenty-two feet eight inches, but with unlimited power to dig as much further as the projectors think fit, and thus destroy or greatly injure nine-tenths of the buildings on the line of Broadway. The excavation is to be made to the very line of the buildings, thus breaking up all iron and stone stoops.

Fourth—To take possession of the buildings which require to be under-pinned and shored up, and to occupy and make use of them during the progress of the work, which may be done quickly or slowly, well or badly, as the corporators may choose.

Fifth—To remove all water pipes that are in the way, and thus interfere, more or less, with the water supply of the whole lower part of the City. To remove all gas mains and sewers that come in the way, and thus seriously interfere with the lighting and draining of the City during the five, or ten, or twenty years, during which the work will be in progress.

Sixth—Should the work be finally accomplished, notwithstanding all the obstacles which appear to competent engineers insuperable, the projectors propose to run four on six lines of steam cars in an underground structure which will be practically without ventilation. The first effect of which would be the suffocation of hundreds of passengers and employes, and the second to fill all the stores on the line so full of noxious gasses as to make them uninhabitable. They would be depreciated full fifty per cent.

Seventh—The whole of this stupendous undertaking will cost from $20,00,000 to $30,000,000, and injure enormously $250,000,000 of property in the State in its line.

The whole scheme appeared to me and other property holders so preposterous, that it only excited a smile when brought to our notice. When, however, we saw that the bill, when passed, was manifestly and infamous invasion of our rights and interests, had passed the Assembly unanimously, we were at once made aware how totally insecure these rights and interests are. We learn, further, that under the extraordinary action of the Assembly that any body of unknown men may apply to the Legislature for unlimited power to break up and destroy the property of others, and obtain such power from one branch of the Legislature without a dissenting voice.

If such a measure as the Arcade Railroad shall become a law, there will thenceforward be no security for property in this State.

The men who propose to do all the enormous mischief contemplated in this bill are men scarcely one of whose names is known to the great body of property holders of this City.

If one hundred of the principal citizens of New-York—men known far and wide for their intelligence, wealth and high moral character—were to apply to the Legislature for the enormous franchise contained in this bill, and were willing to deposit five millions of dollars with the State Treasurer, as security for the damage they might do in constructing the road, there would be some grounds for hearing them, and examining into the merits of the enterprise. But, even then, prudence and wisdom would dictate the propriety of postponing all action on such a gigantic undertaking for at least one year, so as to give time to a commission to be appointed, which should sit in the City of New-York, and obtain full and particular information on every point connected with so vast an undertaking.

A Case of Caste.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Will you allow me, through the columns of your paper, to make known some facts that are hardly creditable to these post-riot and asylum-burning days? Last Saturday afternoon I sent my little girl with her nurse—a colored woman—to Lent's Circus to witness some of the wonders so attractively advertised, and to which I *thought* the public generally were invited. In a short time the two returned, the woman calm, the little girl rampant. On my making inquiries into the cause of their return, the woman told me that the ticket-man would not allow her to go in "without a lady or some grown-up white person." The man magnanimously observing that "*he* just as lief let her in, only those were his orders."

Comment is, I think, unnecessary; only may I suggest to MR. LENT that if he would mention in his advertisements the rules of his establishment he would save trouble, and people's feelings might be spared. And will you allow me to say before I close, that when circus managers admit, unquestioned and unsuspected "the great unwashed" and keep out a decent, respectable colored woman, one is strongly reminded of the people of old who were said to "strain at a gnat and swallow a camel."

Yours respectfully, J. C. SPRING,
No. 124 East Twenty-fifth-street, New-York.
NEW-YORK, March 15, 1869.

VIRGINIA POLITICS.

Independent Republican Nominations for State Officers.

The following address, signed by about one hundred and fifty citizens of Virginia, appears in the Richmond morning papers of Tuesday:

The undersigned, citizens of Virginia, and earnest friends of the restoration of our State to the Union, under the Reconstruction acts of Congress, believe that the time has fully come when a determined and zealous effort should be made to rescue the Republicans of Virginia from the management and control of designing and selfish politicians.

We are satisfied that the Convention which assembled at Petersburg on the 9th instant, did not reflect the feelings and wishes of the Republicans of the State, and that the means used to secure the nomination of the persons who are placed upon the State ticket were such as cannot secure the sanction or approval of those who desire to promote the welfare of the people. We feel that there has never been a period in her history when the counsel and direction of wise, experienced and patriotic men, whose unselfish regard for the public weal commends them to the confidence and support of the people were eminently needed. The men who are put forward for the highest honors of our restored Commonwealth are not sufficiently identified with our people to secure that confidence, and we fear that defeat awaits the party, because many of the best of our citizens who are now identified with it anticipate the worst consequences to our material interests in the event of their election, and are disposed to resent and resist the dictation of the ignorant and presumptuous clique of political adventurers by whom the late Convention was controlled.

We believe that a large majority of the intelligent and reflecting people of Virginia, who have a permanent interest in the prosperity of the State, are becoming convinced that wisdom and sound policy dictate that they should accept and carry out, in good faith, the measures proposed by Congress for the reconstruction of the Southern States, and are earnestly desirous of adopting the great principles enunciated by the Republican Party of the country. We believe that they will cheerfully support true and well-known Republicans for State officers; and to afford them an opportunity to do this we respectfully recommend

For Governor—GILBERT C. WALKER, of Norfolk City.

For Lieutenant-Governor—JOHN F. LEWIS, of Rockingham County.

For Attorney-General—JAMES C. TAYLOR, of Montgomery County.

Character of the Persons Nominated.

From the Richmond Whig, March 16.

The ticket generally may be said to represent the policy of relief and peace to the people of Virginia, in contrast with that of proscription and discord represented by the Wells ticket. Colonel WALKER has been for several years a resident of Norfolk, where he has large investments and important interests. He has identified himself, with all his stake in life, with Virginia and her people. He is a gentleman of the largest views and of the most liberal sentiments. He has studied and understands the commanding natural advantages of Virginia, and is heart and soul in the cause of developing and utilizing all her splendid resources, and especially of making her great seaport play the part in the commerce of the world for which nature designed it. As a means of restoring the tranquility necessary to successful business, he is in favor of ending all strife with the Federal Government and the people of the North, by a quiet submission to the Congressional terms of reconstruction, among which he does not class disfranchisements, or penalties of any sort to be inflicted by State authority—and to all these, as embodied in the Underwood Constitution, he is altogether opposed. He would set free the energies of the people by removing all disabilities, and would preserve harmony by letting by-gones be by-gones.

Believing that the ticket now put forth not only affords to the people of Virginia the best opportunity of escaping from the vast evil of carpet-bag rule, but that it is the representative of the most benignant policy which, in our present circumstances, can be hoped for, we do not hesitate to ask our fellow-citizens, discarding party and forgetting wrongs, to make common cause with those who are willing to make common cause with them, to help those who are trying to help them.

A Republican View of the Movement.

From the Richmond State Journal, March 16.

For none of these gentlemen have we a single unkind word. They are nearly all our personal friends; but we regret their defection, or, rather, the singular position they have assumed, because we feel they are being made the catspaws of the Democratic Party, and of the designing men who desire to control certain material interests of the State. In their manifesto they are guilty of insincerity, for they do not set forth the real cause of their dissatisfaction. They suppress the truth in failing to declare that they will not support the ticket nominated at Petersburg, because a colored man was placed upon it for Lieutenant-Governor. This it is well known, is the great cause of quarrel with the vast majority of those whose names are attached to the pronunciamento.

The Missouri Appointments.

From the St. Louis Democrat, March 15.

We notice going the rounds of the Press a story, which the Hannibal *Courier* copies without expressing much confidence in it, saying that the Missouri delegation waited upon General GRANT about appointments, and were very discourteously treated. It is hardly necessary to say that no such interview ever took place, and the story is entirely imaginary. For several days before the delegation waited upon General GRANT at all its intention as to the appointment of Messrs. FORD, SMITH and EASTON was well known, and they called only to recommend the appointment of Mr. NEWCOMB, who was appointed. No recommendations as to the other offices were made, and no such conversation as is alleged occurred at that or any other interview.

STATE INDEPENDENCE.

Letter from Ex-Senator Dixon, of Connecticut.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8, 1869.

To the Editor of the Hartford Courant:

I am glad to see that you are discussing, in your influential journal, the question of the true relations of the State and Federal Governments. No political question is of greater importance, and at this period in our history, when our country is suffering from the consequences of carrying the doctrine of State rights to a dangerous extreme, it is very important that we should guard against an equal and perhaps greater peril in rushing to the opposite extreme. There is somewhere a point where the rights of the States and the delegated powers of the Federal Government meet and harmonize. Since you call on me, in your paper of Saturday last, to reply to certain interrogatories on this subject, you will, I trust, permit me to give my views briefly in reply.

You deny, if I understand your position, that by the true intent and meaning of the elector's oath required by the Constitution and laws of Connecticut, that State is independent, because the elector is also bound by the same oath, to support the Constitution of the United States. The oath is in the following words:

"You, A. B., do solemnly swear that you will be true and faithful to the State of Connecticut and to the constitutional Government thereof, as a free and independent State, and to the Constitution of the United States, &c."

Now, it is perfectly evident that the framers of this oath did not suppose an oath to support the Constitution of the United States inconsistent with the obligation in the same oath to be true and faithful to the Government of Connecticut as a free and independent State. In other words, Connecticut is a free and independent State, notwithstanding the obligation of its citizens to support the Constitution of the United States. The latter is not in conflict with the independence of the States. This is the true doctrine:

"The Constitution of the United States is a grant of powers where they did not before exist, but the Constitution of Connecticut is a limitation of powers already existing, leaving the Legislative Department, subject to the limitation specified, as it found it." *Opinion of Chief Justice Williams in the case of Pratt vs. Allen, 13 Conn. Reports, page 119.*

The grant of powers to the General Government did not deprive the States of their independence. All powers not granted were expressly reserved by the tenth article of the amendments of the Constitution of the United States to the States respectively or to the people. See article 10 of amendments.

It is thus apparent that the Government of the United States is limited in its powers. The first section of the first article of the Constitution of the United States provides that "All legislative powers herein granted, shall be vested in a Congress of the United States. Powers not granted being reserved—the Government is, of course, limited to the exercise of the powers granted. Yet, notwithstanding this limitation, you argue that the Government of the United States is sovereign—and, of course, you claim that it is independent. A limitation of its power, therefore, does not in your view conflict with its sovereignty or independence. Yet you hold that because Connecticut has "delegated" (I use the word used by the Constitution) certain powers, therefore her Government is not independent—while in truth the delegation of powers to the General Government does not in all conflict with the independence of the State in other respects. That this is correct doctrine is shown by the fourth article of the declaration of rights in the Constitution of Massachusetts, which is in the following words:

"The people of this Commonwealth have the sole and exclusive right of governing themselves as a free, sovereign and independent State, and do and forever hereafter shall exercise and enjoy every power, jurisdiction and right which is not, or may not hereafter be delegated to the United States of America, in Congress assembled."

The constitution of New-Hampshire—made in 1792—after the adoption of the constitution, also declares the sovereignty and independence of that State in the following words:

"The people inhabiting the territory formerly called the province of New-Hampshire, do hereby solemnly and mutually agree with each other to form themselves into a free, sovereign and independent body politic, or State, by the name of the State of New-Hampshire."

These two States, Massachusetts and New-Hampshire, claim in their Constitutions not only independence but sovereignty, notwithstanding their delegation of certain powers to the Government of the United States.

The framers of our Constitution, and of our elector's oath, were therefore guilty of no inconsistency when they required our electors to swear to be true and faithful to the Government of Connecticut, as an independent State, and at the same time to swear to support the Constitution of the United States. The two obligations are seen to be entirely consistent with each other, when we remember that the Government of the United States is one of delegated powers, to the exercise of which it is expressly limited and confined, and beyond which it cannot go without a violation of the Constitution.

I refrain from any remark as to the propriety of an amendment of the Constitution of the United States, which will give the right of an independent State to regulate its own suffrage laws is taken away, because at this time such a discussion might partake of the nature of party controversy, for which purpose I have no right to ask the use of your columns. But the importance of a correct understanding by the people of the true relations of the States to the General Government, justifies me in asking you to publish this outline of my views on that subject, especially as they are given in response to a distinct inquiry addressed to me in your paper. The direct questions which you propose to me I will now proceed to answer. You say:

"And suppose the power above our State, created in manner as with our own free will, that has exclusive power to do all these things and many more, the power that claims our supreme allegiance, and that can call every man of us to die and fight for it, and that guarantees to every man of us our rights of the free exercise of religion, of speech, assemblage, press, petition, arms-bearing, trial by jury, freedom from search, presentment by grand jury, &c., &c., should also guarantee an impartial application of all conditions of suffrage to every one of us, what wrong would be done, Mr. DIXON?"

In reply to this I deny that the Government of the United States has any exclusive power "to call every man of us to fight and die for it." The Government of Connecticut may do the same thing. (See General Statutes of Connecticut, page 578, chapter 9.) You are also mistaken in supposing that the Constitution of the United States "guarantees to every man of us our rights of the free exercise of religion, of speech, assemblage, press, petition, arms-bearing, trial by jury," &c., except so far as it restricts the action of the General Government.

The provisions with regard to most, if not all of these rights, are contained in the amendments to the Constitution of the United States, and only relate to the action of the United States Government, and not to the States or the State Courts, as is clearly shown by Chief Justice MARSHALL in the case of BARRON *vs.* The Mayor of Baltimore, 7th Peters' Reports, 243, and LIVINGSTON *vs.* MOORE, 7th Peters, 551; also in the case of MURPHY *vs.* The People, 2d Cowen, 218. In the case of LIVINGSTON *vs.* MOORE, the Court say: "As to the amendments of the Constitution of the United States (relating to the rights you speak of) they must be put out of the case, since it is now settled that those amendments do not extend to the States"—7th Peters, 552.

Chief Justice MARSHALL, in the case of BARRON *vs.* Mayor of Baltimore, after fully elucidating the idea that the guarantees in the amendments only restrict the United States Government, and not the States—says "the fifth amendment" (and the same rule obviously applies to all amendments—and to the text of the Constitution itself) must be understood as restraining the power of the General Government, not as applicable to the States. In the case of COLT *vs.* EVES, Conn. Reports, the same doctrine is declared by Chief Justice WILLIAMS. "It has been well settled," he says, "that the amendments to that instrument were never intended to limit the power or to control the proceedings of the State Courts." You will see, therefore, that it is a grave error to suppose that the Federal Government guarantees our rights of the free exercise of religion. It only restricts Congress from making laws respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof, &c. So of the freedom of the Press, of speech, of petition, of assembling, of search, of bearing arms, and all the rights specified in the amendments. They merely prohibit interference with their rights by Congress. The States are left free to act, and, until very lately, New-Hampshire has had in her Constitution, if she has not now, a religious test, with which the Government of the United States could not interfere, and to which the Constitution of the United States has no application. The truth is all these guarantees of our rights which you mention are found, if anywhere, in our State Constitution, and not in the Constitution of the United States, as the above-quoted authorities clearly prove. All that the Constitution of the United States provides, is to prohibit interference with these rights by the General Government, except where by express terms it provides that no State shall do certain specified things. This distinction, clearly laid down by Chief Justice MARSHALL in the cases above cited, shows the error into which you have fallen so plainly that I need not pursue it further. The only guarantee in the amendments to the Constitution is that the General Government shall not interfere with the rights specified, leaving our protection from State action to the State Constitutions.

Yours respectfully, JAMES DIXON.

BAGGAGE-CAR BURNED.—Yesterday morning a car belonging to the Adams Express Company reached this city, over the Allentown route, in a disabled condition. The contents, consisting of mail-bags, baggage and express goods, were transferred to car No. 40, belonging to the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, and attached to the Philadelphia express going west. As the train approached Mexico, Juniata County, it was discovered that the car was on fire. The train was promptly stopped, but the fire had attained too great headway to save the car, which, with nearly all the contents, was consumed. A mail-bag, four or five boxes of express goods, about a bushel of damaged letters, four watches and a few checks, &c., were all that was recovered. It is not known how the fire originated, and impossible to estimate the loss.—*Harrisburg (Penn.) State Guard, March 18.*

EXECUTION.

Two Negro Murderers Hanged at Mobile—They Confess Their Crime—Shocking Levity of the Condemned Men.

From the Mobile Register, March 12.

The negroes, LEWIS TOMLIN and ISAAC JOHNSON, who were convicted at the November term of the City Court for the murder of Mr. ARCHIE MCLAUGHLIN, on the 22d of October last, this morning suffered the extreme penalty of the law, and expiated their crime on the gallows. Mr. MCLAUGHLIN, was shot in cold blood, at Ealava Bridge, while on his way home, by LEWIS TOMLIN, assisted by ISAAC JOHNSON, ISRAEL BEVERLY and THOMAS BURNS, all negroes, who were arrested, the two former sentenced to death, and the latter to the Penitentiary for life. Since then two other negroes, ALECK MOBLEY and WESLEY SAULSBERRY, have been arrested for being parties to the crime. The former turned States evidence, and the latter is being tried to-day in the City Court. TOMLIN and JOHNSON belonged to a regularly organized gang, who infested the outskirts and lived by robbery and plunder. Only a few days before the murder of MCLAUGHLIN, they committed several highway robberies. TOMLIN was a thick-set, chunky, coal-black negro, about 21 years of age, and JOHNSON, a mulatto, about 18 years old. They were sentenced to be hung on the 15th of January last, but were respited till the present time by the Governor.

IN THE CONDEMNED CELL.

In the condemned cell the prisoners were surrounded by a large number of the sisters of the Church and Elder STRONG, praying and singing. They appeared perfectly resigned to their fate, acknowledged their guilt, and said they were ready and willing to die; that they had experienced religion on Sunday night, had made their peace with their Maker, and felt satisfied that they had been forgiven for their crime and would go to heaven. Before they had experienced religion, however, they felt that they were doomed for hell, but through the kind offices of the sisters of the Church, who had attended faithfully to their spiritual welfare, they had been saved. They laughed and conversed pleasantly, and appeared anxious for the arrival of the time of execution, saying there was nothing for them to hope for here below, but much above. TOMLIN said that when they caught him the authorities had got hold of the biggest thief and rascal in Mobile County; that he had committed many robberies, and that he murdered young MCLAUGHLIN for his money. JOHNSON said he was there and assisted TOMLIN, but did not shoot. In answer to a question as to the party who pulled off MCLAUGHLIN's shoes, TOMLIN remarked to this reporter: "The man who did it was compelled to do so whether he wanted to or not, three pistols being pointed at him." TOMLIN also acknowledged to being one of the party who committed a rape on an old white woman the day before the murder of MCLAUGHLIN. A prisoner in the cell adjoining said the condemned men were praying during the night for day to break, so that they could be hung and relieved of all anxiety and trouble. Their faces wore a happy expression, and from early in the morning till the time arrived for the execution, they spent the time in singing and praying.

THE SCENE IN THE JAIL-YARD.

The scaffold was erected in the northeast corner of the jail-yard, was of ordinary build, and had a drop of about three and a half feet. A detachment of the Thirty-sixth Infantry, in command of Captain WATERS, was present. At 11 o'clock the gates were thrown open and the crowds surged in, filling up every available space in the yard. So great was the desire to witness the execution that the housetops and trees overlooking the gallows were filled with large numbers of men and boys. The family of the murdered man, consisting of his mother, sisters and brother-in-law, were present, and during the execution occupied places near the scaffold.

A short time after 11 o'clock the condemned were brought out of their cells to be shrouded and bound. Both negroes entered the room laughing, pulled off their coats and shoes, and directed the jailor to hand them to SAM BOYD, one of the prisoners; they then, without any assistance, put on their robes, at the same time making humorous allusions to the fit, TOMLIN remarking: "Mine fits bully, and is nice enough for a wedding gown." TOMLIN asked Mr. LAZO for a cigar, which he smoked with great coolness, saying it would be his last. When his hands were being tied, he said: "The me tight, Mr. JOE, and pray don't go to hell, but go to heaven." JOHNSON was very cool and collected, but did not appear quite so hardened as TOMLIN.

The condemned marched firmly to the scaffold, followed by Elder STRONG and the sisters of the Church, all singing and praying. They mounted the scaffold and took their position on the trap, accompanied by Sheriff GRANGER and Elder STRONG. After the singing of a hymn by the sisters of the Church, who stood in front of the scaffold, Sheriff GRANGER read the sentence of the Court. During its reading, TOMLIN cried out to a boy in a tree near by, "You had better be praying."

CONFESSIONS.

TOMLIN, in a loud and firm voice, said:

"Friends, one and all, white and black, men and boys, I am going; I have made my peace with God, and He has told me to come here with a willing mind. I am going to Heaven, and I want all of you to come there; there is plenty of room for all; I am guilty of the murder; we all went out there to rob; if we had not the man would not have been killed. WESLEY SAULSBERRY, who was with us at the time, is not guilty. I would not work, too lazy for that, so I went out 'staging.' This is not the first robbery I am guilty of, for I robbed four other men; I am guilty, and I am going."

After TOMLIN had ceased speaking, JOHNSON said: "My friends, I am going, and I am ready to go, and I want you all to get ready and follow me, for I am going to glory. I was with TOMLIN when he killed the man; we all went out for the purpose of robbing somebody."

The men then knelt in prayer with Elder STRONG. When the cap was pulled over their eyes, they shouted "good bye," TOMLIN saying in a loud and firm voice:

"God has answered my prayers; there is a hell to avoid and a heaven to gain."

THE EXECUTION.

The rope was cut at 11:30, by means of a drop-knife concealed on the side of one of the uprights. The trap fell, and the unfortunate men were dangling in the air. JOHNSON died easily and without a struggle, but TOMLIN writhed for quite a minute. When the drop fell an attempt at a cheer was made by the crowd. Fifteen minutes afterward the bodies were cut down and pronounced dead by the surgeon. It was found that their necks had not been broken, the rope slipping too far in the rear of the neck to accomplish dislocation.

The Condition of Cuba—Rumors Respecting the Attitude of Our Government.

From the Philadelphia Press.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, March 17.

The condition of affairs in Cuba continues to attract serious attention. Our Government has assumed a bold front, and has taken all necessary precautions to enable it to protect the rights of American citizens on the island. Troops have been assembled at Key West, where transports will soon be in readiness to convey them to Havana, if necessary, and several men-of-war, including two iron-clads, have been ordered to the same vicinity. It is not apprehended that any occasion for their use will arise, as it is thought that the presence of this force in the waters of the Gulf of Mexico will produce a marvelous effect, equivalent to actual interference. It is not improbable that our officers have in not a few instances connived at the departure of filibusters from New-Orleans, Mobile, Pensacola and the Florida coast, but the authorities here have exerted themselves to the utmost to preserve a proper neutrality. In fact, it is well known here that within the past three months the insurgents in Cuba have received material aid—in men, money and munitions of war—from the points above-mentioned, as well as from New-York and Philadelphia. A well-informed citizen of Florida, who arrived here to-day as bearer of dispatches from the insurgents, states that when he left Havana, about ten days ago, news had been received from the interior that a Provisional Republic was being organized by the rebel leaders. He adds that some such central organization is all that is required to insure the success of the patriots. Heretofore they have had no regular central organization, and consequently the rebel chiefs in different localities have

SAILORS' SNUG HARBOR.

Description of the Institution—Details of its Management—How Superannuated Tars are Cared For—Reply to Recent Attacks upon the Institution.

The Sailors' Snug Harbor is situated on the north shore of Staten Island, about half a mile from New-Brighton. The property embraces about 160 acres, which was purchased in 1831 for the purposes of a Home for Sailors, according to the will of the testator, Captain ROBERT RANDALL. It was the intention of this worthy gentleman that the Sailors' Home should have been founded on the Fourth-avenue, somewhere about the spot where STEWART'S large new store now stands. Captain RANDALL died in 1801, and, exclusive of a few specific legacies, left the bulk of his estate to a Board of Trustees, consisting of the Mayor and Recorder of the City of New-York, the President and Vice-President of the Marine Society, the President of the Chamber of Commerce, the Rector of Trinity Church, the minister of the First Presbyterian Church in New-York City, to be by them applied to the erection of an asylum to be known as the "Sailors' Snug Harbor," for the maintenance and support of "decrepit and worn-out sailors." These gentlemen were to be charged with the sole control and management of the institution. As soon as the income of the estate bequeathed was sufficient for the support of fifty seamen, the Sailors' Snug Harbor was to be opened. The property consisted of real estate fronting on both sides of Broadway and adjacent streets, and extending from Eighth to Tenth streets. At the time of the bequest it was of comparatively little value, being mostly farming land, situate on the outskirts of the populated parts of the City; hence the annual income was at first very small, not exceeding $1,000. With the increasing population of the City the rental rose by degrees, until in the present year it has reached the enormous value of $86,000. The plan of the Trust ees is to let the lots at twenty-one years leases, and readjust the rentals as the leases fall in. Mr. STEWART pays about $36,000 for the rent of the lots on which his magnificent new store is built. The old tenants having always the option of renewal, the lease is practically perpetual.

REMOVAL TO STATEN ISLAND.

Soon after Captain RANDALL'S death it was found that the location of the Snug Harbor within the City limits would be attended with many inconveniences. In 1831 Staten Island was selected for the location of the Harbor, both for its salubrious climate and its proximity to the ocean, which the sailor always loves. In that year a farm of about 160 acres was purchased for $16,000; and the erection of suitable buildings was immediately commenced.

In 1833 the buildings were ready for occupancy, and opened with thirty inmates, all worn-out, decrepit men. By good management it has since eminently prospered, and the present property bids fair to become immense. Within the next five years the readjustment of rentals will bring the income of the Snug Harbor up to a quarter of a million dollars.

THE BUILDINGS.

About fourteen acres of the estate are inclosed for the especial purposes of the institution, and the principal buildings are located. The main structure, which is in fact the Snug Harbor, is three stories high, and built of granite; wings have been added of late years so that it is very commodious, and fully capable of accommodating 500 men, which will probably be the number of the inmates in a very short time. Large corridors run the entire length and breadth of the building, and at the sides of these are the sleeping apartments of the men. The rooms are about twenty-five feet square and contain four beds. They are quite lofty, but might be better ventilated than they are. All of them had a close, unpleasant smell at the time our reporter visited the institution; but this, it is stated, is the fault rather of the inmates than the officers of the Harbor. All the old salts appear to have a dislike to fresh air. They keep the windows closed with remarkable diligence, and even cork up the ventilators. The beds and bedding are clean and comfortable. Each inmate has two mattresses, an under one of straw and an upper one, with pillow, of moss. There are chairs and tables and all proper conveniences for the men. Outside the rooms, in the corridors, are large chests of drawers, of which each inmate has one, to be securely locked, for keeping his clothes, &c. At the end of the corridors are water closets, which are not in such good order as the rest of the establishment; they are offensive, and need considerable reformation.

FOOD AND ATTENDANCE.

The dining apartment is in a separate building, connected by a covered way with the Harbor. Our reporter happened to arrive at the institution just prior to the mid-day meal, and had an opportunity of inspecting the food in the kitchen, and also observing the mode in which it was served to the men. The kitchens are models of neatness and cleanliness, and deserve commendation. The soup was excellent and savory, with plenty of vegetables and rice to give it a good consistence. The meat was well cooked, and served in separate dishes. The potatoes, steamed in their "jackets," were of the best quality; and the bread was firm, well raised and sweet. Better or more healthful food it would be impossible to give in any large public institution. The dining-rooms are two in number, opening from the large hall, and lighted with windows on their other three sides. They are spacious, handsome, airy apartments, and, with their long tables spread with snowy white cloths, have very much the appearance of hotel dining-rooms. Every inmate has a plate and basin for soup, a knife, fork, white metal spoon and tumbler for water; plenty of saltcellars, pepper-castors, cruets of vinegar, and pots of mustard are distributed along the tables, as well as jugs of *aqua pura*, which is healthy without being stimulant. The soup is served out by the attendants, of whom there are four or five in each room. The men help themselves to meat, potatoes, and bread, taking what they require without stint. Our reporter questioned some of the men in regard to the supply of food, and in every instance the answer was that there was nothing to complain of, and that the food was good and abundant. Captain WADE, an old resident, stated that the food was better now than when he first became an inmate of the institution.

For breakfast the inmates get coffee, bread, butter and cold meat; for supper, tea and bread and butter. Meat is not served on the table at this meal, but the men can have a relish if they wish it.

At the end of the dinning halls are large buffets where the crockery is ranged in the intervals between the meals.

THE HOSPITAL.

The Hospital is situated within the main enclosure, a short distance from the Snug Harbor. Two corridors crossing each other divide the building into four sets of apartments in all three of the stories. These apartments measure respectively 25x20 feet, and 20x15 feet. The former are fitted with six beds; the latter with three beds. The clothing is cleaned in the chloride of lime and carbolic acid are plentifully used as disinfectants; their effects, however, were far from apparent. There were fifty-nine patients in the hospital; some were merely transient cases of sickness, others had been bedridden or confined to their wards for several years. Of the total number of patients, forty-eight received the regular diet of the institution—soup, pork, beef, potatoes, &c. Some of these received in addition delicacies and extras suited to their condition; the remaining eleven were supported entirely on extras. Thus eight patients received milk, five had eggs, nine had beefsteak, four had cocoa, five had chicken soup, two had whisky and one had porter. In addition to this, all of the patients can obtain, on application, extra tea, cocoa and rice with molasses. The cook said he had two fowls to make the soup for the five patients above mentioned, with rice, barley, &c., for thickening.

Captain STEPHEN GLOVER, who was lying in one of the wards, said: I have been in the Institution five years. The officers ask those who are able to work to do a little hoeing or other work in the fields sometimes, but none are ever forced to work that I know of. I never heard of such a case. I have been in hospital nine months with rheumatics and paralysis. My teeth are gone, so I cannot eat meat, but I get beefsteak every day and suck it. I have also rice and hominy, with sugar or molasses, or both, if I want it. The doctor told me to ask for anything I wanted. Why didn't I ask for champagne? Why, because I didn't want any. I prefer a drop of porter, and I can have that free.

Among the patients is a remarkable old negro, who is 104 years of age. He is quite intelligent, and very prompt in narrating the leading facts of his personal history. He says he was born in Delaware, in 1765, of free parents. He followed the sea ten or fifteen years; then he became a preacher. What sect? Ah, the broad Church—the sect that includes all sects. Finally, he drifted here into the Snug Harbor about twenty years ago; and here he will in all probability remain until the angel of death touches him with his icy wing.

EMPLOYMENTS OF THE MEN.

They have all taken to basket making, and it is the staple manufacture of Snug Harbor. In the basement, in empty rooms, and along the corridors, they congregate together and dexterously weave the long, delicate strips of palm leaf into pretty baskets and mats of all shapes and sizes. The sale of these baskets brings them considerable profit, which is often the cause of whisky liquidation and riotous excesses, ending in what is known here as "taboo." If a man gets into disgrace the Governor orders him to keep within the inclosure of the institution, say for a month, or his very bad affairs for two and even three months. Hence the outside of the inclosure is to him "taboo," or forbidden, according to the expressive language of the Polynesians. If "taboo" is broken the offender is expelled from the institution, and no amount of outside influence will now avail to get him back. There are records on the books of men who had been expelled five times, and even eight times; but that is all changed latterly. It was found that no discipline could be maintained in the institution, while the Governor was left without a resource as against the bad characters. The Trustees have therefore decided that no man shall be readmitted who has been once expelled from the Snug Harbor. This makes them somewhat more careful how they conduct themselves.

THE PRESENT MANAGEMENT.

The Board of Trustees are Mayor Hall, Recorder Hackett, William E. Dodge, President of the Chamber of Commerce, Captain Ferrier and Captain Snow, President and Vice-President of the Marine Society, Rev. Dr. Dix and Rev. Dr. Paxton. They hold quarterly meetings for the settlement of the details of management and auditing the accounts. Mr. JOSEPH GREENLEAF, a well known and highly respectable citizen, is Treasurer. Since the death of Captain DE PEYSTER, who was for many years Governor of the Institution, Captain THOMAS MELVILLE has been appointed and now holds the position. There are also a resident physician, a steward and matron, nurses and laborers. The total number of inmates of the Snug Harbor when our reporter visited it was 410, but a man was admitted the same day, making the number 411. The total disbursements last year for necessaries for the inmates was as follows: Provisions, $38,647; clothing, $8,019; bedding, $1,120; tobacco, $1,856; fuel, $3,282; salaries, $15,000; medicines, $542; farm, $1,206; miscellaneous, $2,207; repairs and improvements, $15,300. The average monthly expenses (exclusive of the last item) was $6,029, and the average daily cost of the keep of each inmate 46½ cents.

THE RECENT ATTACKS UPON THE INSTITUTION.

In explanation of an article which appeared in a New-York journal of the 12th inst., claiming to be "a full disclosure of the inner workings of the Sailors' Snug Harbor," and to be based upon "facts developed by the examination of witnesses," the Governor stated to our reporter that no evidence of the kind nor any evidence whatever had been offered in Court in the case of WILLIAM BELCHER against the Sailors' Snug Harbor, or in any other case. That the suit of BELCHER, who was an expelled inmate, was abandoned by him and dismissed by the Court for want of prosecution. Mr. ALANSON NASH was his attorney, and commenced the suit to reinstate BELCHER, and in his complaint set up very absurd charges against the management. He attempted to sustain these under a proceeding known to lawyers as the "conditional examination of witnesses," under the provisions of the revised statutes. BELCHER swore that many of the inmates were aged, infirm, and likely to die before the trial of his suit, and that there was danger of his being deprived of their testimony, unless he could have an order of the Court to take their testimony "conditionally." Such an order was obtained last August, *ex parte* as is the practice. But the examinations, whenever offered at the trial are subject to all the rules which govern the admission of testimony. BELCHER, under this order, proceeded to take the examinations of many of the inmates, which he did in a side room in the City Hall, with no Judge present. But they were taken in such an irregular and improper manner that any Court would have rejected them if they had ever been offered in evidence. Besides, it appeared on cross-examination that they knew nothing against the institution, except from hearsay. The design of the Belcher party was said by the Governor to have been simply an effort to place before the public certain damaging mis-statements, under the color of a judicial proceeding.

Besides, the examination took place over six months ago, and at this late day is singularly gobbled by our contemporary as a matter of sensational news.

PROPOSALS.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

GOVERNMENT HARBOR WORK AT OLCOTT, N. Y.

UNITED STATES ENGINEER OFFICE, No 91 PEARL-ST., BUFFALO, N. Y., March 15, 1869.

Sealed proposals, in duplicate, for furnishing and delivering materials for and doing the work of building the new Upland and slaters piers forming the harbor of Olcott, at the mouth of 18-mile creek, Lake Ontario, N. Y., will be received at this office, addressed to the undersigned, until 12 o'clock, noon, of the 13th day of April, 1869.

MATERIALS REQUIRED.

CLASS A.

83,500 lbs. wrought iron materials, or as much as may be required, assorted in three items, viz.: Item I.—Drift bolts. Item II.—Spikes. Item III.—Washers for screw bolts. Each item to be bid and paid for by the pound.

LABOR TO BE PERFORMED.

CLASS B.

Item I.—Counter-hewing white pine timber, to be bid and paid for by the superficial foot. Item II.—21,465 cubic feet, or as much as may be required, crib framing, planking, bolting, &c., in superstructure, to be bid and paid for by the cubic foot, each lineal foot of flatted timber estimated as a cubic foot. Item III.—54,540 cubic feet, or as much as may be required, framing, planking, bolting, &c., in superstructure, to be bid and paid for by the cubic foot. Item IV.—Excavating and removal of material, (sand, gravel, bowlders, soft deposits, old timber and other rubbish,) necessary in forming a good bed or foundation area for cribs; to be bid and paid for by the cubic yard.

All the above to be let by class.

Bids for items of a class, without covering all the items of a class, will be rejected.

A guarantee by two persons or parties must accompany each bid, that the bid shall be made good; and the sufficiency of the guarantors must be certified by a United States District-Attorney, Collector of Customs, or other officer of the United States Government, or responsible person known to this officer.

Bonds for the faithful performance of the contract will be executed in each case, in sums to be fixed by the undersigned; and no bondsman will be accepted whose sufficiency is not proven to the satisfaction of the undersigned.

Contracts to be signed and bonds executed at 12 M., April 20, 1869.

Iron to be delivered and labor commenced by the 10th May, 1869.

Work to be finished by Dec. 1, 1869.

All further necessary information may be obtained as to Class B by personal application at this office, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 3 P. M., until the 12th of April, 1869; and as to Class A, either by personal application, or by mail for a copy of the specifications.

Bids and guarantees must be submitted on blanks furnished from this office on application, and each bidder must sign with the bid the names of the two bondsmen he intends to use, with evidence, satisfactory to the undersigned, of their sufficiency.

M. D. MCALESTER,
Brevet Brigadier General, Major of Engineers.

ARMY BUILDING,
CORNER OF GREENWICH AND HOUSTON STREETS,
NEW-YORK CITY, March 16, 1869.

PROPOSALS IN DUPLICATE WILL be received by the undersigned until 1 o'clock SATURDAY, March 20, 1869, for the following Subsistence Stores, viz.:

50,000 pounds of prime Beans, in barrels, full head lined.
10,000 pounds of Bro. Sugar, in barrels, full head lined.
10,000 pounds of Cut Loaf Sugar, in barrels, full head lined.
1,200 gallons of Pure Cider Vinegar, in barrels, iron bound.
4,000 pounds Adamantine Candles, in boxes, strapped, 45 pounds each, 6 and 12 to the pound.
15,000 pounds of Family Soap, in boxes, 80 pounds each, strapped.
10,000 pounds Salt, in barrels, full head lined.
1,000 pounds Pure Ground Black Pepper, ¼ pound papers, packed in 25 pound boxes, strapped.
5,000 pounds Java Coffee, in original mats, bagged in gunny bags.
15,000 pounds Rio Coffee in original bags.
750 pounds Maccaroni, in 25 pound boxes.
1,000 pounds Breakfast Bacon in 100 pound boxes.
1,500 pounds Lead Lard, in 5 pound caddies, packed, 12 in a case.
100 dozen cans of Tomatoes, 2 pound cans.
50 dozen cans of Green Peas, 2 pound cans.
50 dozen cans of Fresh Oysters, 2 pound cans.
25 dozen cans of Spiced Oysters, 2 pound cans.
25 dozen cans of Lobsters, in 2 pound cans.
100 dozen cans of Condensed Milk, 1 pound cans, Eagle brand.
1,000 half boxes of Sardines, in original cases.
10 dozen bottles of Pickled Onions, packed, 12 in a box.
20 dozen bottles of Chow Chow, packed, 12 in a box, pints.
20 dozen bottles of Worcestershire Sauce, packed, 12 in a box, pints, imported.
500 pounds of Chocolate, packed in 25 pound boxes.
500 pounds of Yeast Powders, ¼ pound cans, packed in 9 pound boxes.
100 dozen cakes of Toilet Soap, assorted.
3,000 pounds of Fine Crackers, in 5 pound cans, hermetically sealed and packed in cases, strapped.
400 pounds Tapioca, in one pound packages, packed in 40 pound boxes.
1,000 pounds Dried Codfish, in 100 pound boxes.
100 gallons Pickled Cucumbers, in 10 gallon kegs.
1,000 boxes Dessicated Codfish, packed in original cases strapped.
2,000 gallons of Mixed Pickles, in 20 gallon kegs.
1,200 bottles Imported Gherkins in original packages.

These stores are required for immediate shipment. The manner of making bids, requirements of bidders, &c., same as stated in previous advertisements from this office.

W. W. BURNS, C. S. U. S. A.,
Brevet Brigadier-General.

LOST AND FOUND.

FIFTY DOLLARS REWARD.

Lost between Washington-square and 17th-st., on the west side of 5th-av., a small SABLE TIPPET. The above reward will be paid to the finder on delivery of the same at No. 21 Washington-square.

LOST—A PORT-MONNAIE, CONTAINING three safe keys, watch keys and a gold piece. A liberal reward will be paid on the return of the same to the office of HAVEMEYERS & ELDER, No. 98 Wall-st.

LOST—FROM EXPRESS WAGON, A PACKAGE addressed John Ward Dean, Boston, containing a book valuable only to the owner. A suitable reward will be paid for it on application to JOHN MOEY, No. 59 Broadway.

BUSINESS CHANCES.

WATCH AND JEWELRY ESTABLISHment for sale of 20 years' standing, in one of the best business localities of the City; has a good dwelling attached; a three years' lease from 1st May at a low rent; the store is well known and has a good trade attached; satisfactory reasons for selling. For full particulars and terms of sale apply to QUINCHE & KRUGLER, Nos. 8 and 10 John-st., up stairs.

FOR SALE—A STOCK OF MILLINERY and fancy goods, and store to rent, only 44 miles from New-York; one of the healthiest towns in the State, growing fast; an excellent trade; increasing every day; a good opening for the business; terms easy. Apply to G. A. SHEPARD, Bricksburg, N. J., Ocean County.

MISCELLANEOUS.

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STORAGE FOR FURNITURE, BAGGAGE, TRUNKS OR OTHER PROPERTY.—Separate compartments, all sizes; goods taken up on elevators; porters, truckmen, &c., on hand. H. G. HAEGER, No. 300 West 34th-st., corner 8th-av.

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Issue restricted by law to $1,700,000 on the entire road, which is equal to about $15,000 per mile. This road is now approaching its completion; it traverses a rich and populous district in the State of Indiana, and will soon constitute an important link in the Trunk Line, extending from the Atlantic cities to the Southwest, via Cairo.

The intrinsic value of the road itself, combined with the guarantee of four other important railroad companies, one of which ranks financially among the strongest railroad corporations in the world, render these bonds among the safest investments on the market.

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Registered, 1881	116	116¼	5-20 Coupon, '67	113¾	113¾
Coupon, 1881	116¼	116¾	5-20 Coupon, '68	113¾	113¾
5-20 Coupon, '62	113¾	114	10-40 Regist'd	105¾	106
5-20 Coupon, '62	119	119¼	10-40 Coupon	105¾	105¾
5-20 Coupon, '64	114¾	115	Gold	131	131¾
5-20 Coupon, '65	116¾	117¾	U. S. Cur. Fac.	103¾	103¾
5-20 Coupon, '65, Jan. and July	113¾	113¾			

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PERU STEEL AND IRON COMPANY.
NEW-YORK, March 18, 1869.
The annual meeting of the stockholders of this Company for the election of seven Trustees for the ensuing year, and for three Inspectors of Election, will be held at the Company's No. 245 Pearl-st., New-York, on MONDAY, April 5, next. Polls open at 1 and close at 2 o'clock P. M.
F. J. DOMINICK, Secretary.

COMBINATION SILVER MINING
COMPANY'S Office, Room No. 15, No. 150 Broadway, New-York.—Persons holding stock in the above-named Company, who were not present at the meeting of stockholders, March 16, are requested to call immediately at the office of the Company, and learn something of importance involving the future value of their stock.
JOS. M. BROWN, Secretary.
MARCH 15, 1869.

STAR FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
NO. 96 BROADWAY,
NEW-YORK, March 13, 1869.
AT A MEETING OF THE DIRECTORS of this Company held March 1, 1869, JAMES M. HODGES was appointed Secretary.
N. C. MILLER, President.

NEW-YORK, Feb. 15, 1869.
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE, THE CIRculating notes of the National Bank of the Metropolis, of Washington, D. C., will be redeemed at the Importers' and Traders' National Bank, in the City of New-York, and at the First National Bank, Washington, D. C.

LIFE INSURANCE.—A GENTLEMAN OF means and influence can make a desirable arrangement to act as President of a Life Insurance Company, with new and peculiar features, by addressing, with particulars, NEW LIFE, Box 138 *Times* Office.

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OFFICE OF THE METROPOLITAN GASLIGHT CO., CORNER OF BROADWAY AND 42D-ST.
NEW-YORK, March 4, 1869.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO the stockholders of the Metropolitan Gaslight Company of the City of New-York, that a special election of three Directors of said Company, will be held at the office of said Company, on the 22d day of March, 1869, at 12 o'clock noon, and that the poll will remain open for three hours.
Transfer books will be closed March 9 until March 22, both inclusive.
WM. MEIKLEHAM, Secretary.

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Second Vice-President, WILLIAM W. OWENS.
Secretary, LEWIS G. SMITH.
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ALL DEPOSITS made on or before APRIL 1 will draw interest from that date.
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DIVIDENDS.

OFFICE HARTFORD & NEW-HAVEN RAILROAD CO.,
HARTFORD, March 18, 1869.
NOTICE.
A quarterly dividend of three dollars, free of Government tax, has been declared on each share of stock standing on the books the 26th day of March inst. by the Board of Directors of the Hartford and New-Haven Railroad Company, payable on THURSDAY, April 1.
Stockholders in New-York will receive their dividend at the Union National Bank.
The transfer books will be closed from the 26th day of March to the 1st day of April, both inclusive.
S. P. CONNER, Secretary.

MACON, Ga., Feb. 12, 1869.
DIVIDEND NO. 47.—THE BOARD OF DIrectors of the Macon and Western Railroad Company have this day declared a Dividend from the earnings of the road since Jan. 1, 1868, of Four per Cent. free from Government tax, payable on and after March 15, 1869.
The transfer books will be closed from Feb. 25 to March 15, 1869.
Dividend payable to shareholders registered in the New-York Agency at the National Bank of the Republic, New-York.
MILO S. FREEMAN,
Secretary and Treasurer.

OFFICE CHICAGO, ROCK ISLAND AND PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY, NO. 13 WILLIAM-ST.,
NEW-YORK, March 16, 1869.
A DIVIDEND OF SIX PER CENT., free of United States Government tax, has been declared payable on and after the 10th day of April next to the stockholders or their legal representatives who shall be registered as such on the books of this Company on the closing of the transfer books, which will be closed on the afternoon of the 31st March instant.
F. H. TOWS, Assistant Secretary.

DIVIDEND.—THE ATLANTIC FIRE INsurance COMPANY, of Brooklyn, have declared their semi-annual DIVIDEND of 8½ per cent., payable on demand, and free of Government tax.
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MARCH 2, 1869. HORATIO DORR, Secretary.

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By order of the Board of Supervisors.
MARCH 18, 1869. M. C. BLAUVELT, Clerk.

AUCTION SALES.

AUCTION SALE OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY.
DEPOT QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE,
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Will be sold at public auction, at Schuylkill Arsenal, Philadelphia, Penn., at 10 o'clock A. M., on THURSDAY, April 1, 1869, the following articles of Clothing, new, but rated unsuitable for issue to troops, viz.:
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1,246 Sack Coats, lined.
43 Sack Coats, unlined.
681 Canteens, complete.
274 Jackets, Privates.
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